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## COMMENT OF THE DAY

### MALAYAN DEFENCE

MALAYA is going to be on the British Army's map for a long time to come. With Hongkong, it will be one of the last bases of the British Army, while tactics still require the stationing of troops around the world.

It is likely that Singapore will in a few years time be a less secure base for British troops than mainland Malaya. In Singapore agitation for independence is linked with ending it as a base for Britain, but independent Malaya has asked Britain to stay.

Two strategic aerodromes, capable of handling the latest aircraft, have been built near the border on either side of Malaya's main mountain range. Two other aerodromes in Malaya can take jet fighters and heavy transports.

The Royal Navy is staying, too, and will eventually be given refuelling facilities.

### Jungle War

FOR the British Army, Air Force and Navy there is still a good deal of fighting to be done and part of the agreement with Malaya is that British troops and planes should continue to help in jungle operations against the terrorists.

It is hoped to end the war by August this year; if not, jungle fighting will still be part of the Army's curriculum.

Once the war is over, British troops will take up their duties of guarding against outside aggression, confined to their base.

How long will the treaty last? There are no commitments on this. Nominally it is for thirty years, but land for the base is being leased on terms which will allow the Malayan Government to revoke it whenever necessary, leaving Britain to sell the remainder of the lease.

The Prime Minister, Tengku Abdul Rahman said, "The treaty endures as long as there is goodwill between the countries."

### Consultations

THERE is very little that is definite in the other provisions of the treaty. Britain and Malaya will "consult" in the event of a threat of armed attack, "co-operate" if there is an outbreak of hostilities in the Far East.

In the event of a war involving Britain with Singapore, Borneo, Brunei or Hongkong, Malaya will be committed to war.

Help which Britain is asked to give includes the training of personnel for the new Malayan Army and in equipping the new army. On the credit side for Britain, though, is the fact that the treaty gives renewed confidence to British firms, rubber and tin mine companies, and to British investors.

### Trade Relations

T cementa trade relations, vital to Britain—for Malaya, through her rubber and tin, is the biggest hard currency earner in the Commonwealth.

And in the last analysis Malaya is not likely to revoke this treaty lightly. There is plenty of the goodwill and understanding in Malaya today for Britain; and in addition Malaya, rich and prosperous, has reason to be worried for her safety in an area where Communism is just being kept in check.

# BORDER CLASH IN MIDDLE EAST

## Israel & Syria Blame Each Other For Incident

London, Jan. 28. Israel and Syria tonight blamed each other for a two and a half hour pitched battle in the northern demilitarised zone on their frontiers in which two Israelis were said to have been killed and at least six wounded.

## QUEEN MOTHER ARRIVES IN CANADA

Montreal, Jan. 28. Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother, arrived here by air tonight in a blustery snowstorm on the first stage of her six-week visit to New Zealand and Australia.

Snow ploughs worked throughout the day keeping the runways clear for the Queen Mother's chartered BOAC DC7-C plane.

The aircraft was due to spend about an hour here refuelling, then fly on to Vancouver. There, the Queen Mother will be the overnight guest of the Governor of British Columbia, Mr Frank Ross, before leaving for Honolulu and Fiji.

The temperature was at freezing point as the Queen Mother left her plane and was greeted by Mr Vincent Massey, the Governor-General. She was to have tea with him in his private railway coach during the one-hour refuelling stop.

## Disturbances On Yemen Border

London, Jan. 28. Mr Alan Lennox-Boyd, the British Colonial Secretary, said today that since December 10 there had been a renewal of disturbances caused by the Yemenis on the British Aden Protectorate frontier.

He told the House of Commons that recently the Yemenis had begun to use artillery and heavy machine guns, firing across the border, even on one occasion against the escort of a medical officer carrying out a vaccination tour.

Mr Lennox-Boyd added that the British Protectorate rulers and tribesmen, with the full support of the British security forces, continued effectively to resist and deal with this aggression.

## Sino-British Trade

London, Jan. 28. Union leaders of three million British ship building and engineering workers held talks here today with Chinese officials on the prospects of extending Sino-British trade.

## MENTAL PATIENT HELD

Fort Smith, Ark., Jan. 28. Police reported today they have seized a former mental patient and drug addict wanted for questioning about cutting his mother's head off and hiding it in a chair.

Police Capt. Bill Rogers said the suspect, Bobby Joe Burns, 30, was arrested at Moffett, Oklahoma, just across the State line from Fort Smith.

The body of Burns' mother, Mrs Edna Burns, 50, was found on the kitchen floor of her home beside four cooking pots full of blood yesterday after her head was found in a church choir loft.

London, Jan. 28. The Daily Mail today published a photograph of the Duke of Edinburgh wearing spectacles and "Duckingham Palace" saying he is very slightly short-sighted.

The photograph was taken yesterday when the 35-year-old Duke was piloting his

An Israeli spokesman in Jerusalem said a Syrian force of about 40 or 50 men entered Israeli territory near the United Nations observation post east of Kibbutz Dan.

He said they opened fire on Israeli workers clearing out mines in the zone.

### Casualties

"There were some casualties inflicted on workers," he said.

Later, the spokesman said that Israeli Police clashed with the Syrians and drove them off.

He said two policemen were killed and six wounded. There were no losses reported among the Syrians.

The spokesman said the Syrians used rifles and machine-guns.

It was the worst border incident in many months.

The trouble began, the Army spokesman said, when the Syrian soldiers entered the demilitarised zone near the Dan settlement.

They dug in and opened fire on workers, he reported.

The workers summoned help and border Police units arrived and engaged the Syrians.

The Syrians withdrew about two hours later, he said.

### Aggression

Syria tonight accused Israel of armed aggression, supported by armoured cars and aircraft, in the northern demilitarised zone near Kibbutz Dan.

A Military spokesman in Damascus said 60 Israeli soldiers, supported by three armoured cars, opened machine-gun fire on Syrian peasants, and withdrew under cover from Dan settlement after a two and a half hour engagement.

He said Israeli aircraft flew over the area as the soldiers withdrew, leaving behind a radio, revolver, rifle, hand grenades and ammunition.

There were no Syrian casualties, he added.—Reuter and United Press.

## BATHYSCAPHE FOR JAPAN

Paris, Jan. 28. The French Navy is to send its deep-diving bathyscaphe to explore the sea bed 3,000 metres deep off the Japanese coast north of Tokyo, it was announced in Paris tonight.

The diving expedition is being sent at the request of Japanese scientists and will be financed by the Japanese newspaper Asahi Shimbun, Navy officials said.

Eleven dives will be made during next June, July and August.—Reuter.

## USAF's Thor Hits Target Area

Washington, Jan. 28. A Thor intermediate range ballistic missile was launched successfully at the Florida test range today, the Defence Department announced.

The Pentagon issued this announcement: "An intermediate range ballistic missile, the Thor, was test-fired this afternoon at the missile test range, Cape Canaveral, Florida."

"The launching was successfully carried out."

"This test of the Thor, under development by the Air Force and Douglas Aircraft Co., Inc., is one of a series of intermediate range and intercontinental ballistic missile flight tests conducted at the Canaveral Range."

A Pentagon spokesman said later the 1,500-mile range weapon "flew its prescribed course and landed in the pre-selected impact area."

It was believed to be the 11th time one of the 1,500-mile range Thors had been launched. Six of the launches have been considered successful. The military considered the other launches "to have been 'partial' successes." — United Press.

Heron aircraft from London to the Royal Air Force Station at West Rayham, Norfolk. Princess Margaret was his passenger on this flight to West Rayham, the home field for Sandringham, the Royal family's Norfolk home. The Duke and the Princess, with the Queen had been at London Airport to farewell the Queen Mother on her tour of Australasia.

The newspaper adds that the Princess's short-sightedness will not keep him out of the pilot's seat unless it shows signs of getting worse. — Reuter.

## Turkish General Made Chairman Of Baghdad Pact Planning Staff

Ankara, Jan. 28. A Turkish officer, Lieut-General Ekrem Akalin, was today appointed Chairman of a new Military Planning Staff under the Baghdad Pact for one year.

## ALGERIAN BILL SENT BACK TO SENATE

Paris, Jan. 28. The National Assembly gave quick approval to Premier Felix Gaillard's Algerian Reform Bill tonight for the second time in as many months and tossed the measure right back to the Senate for further action.

The vote was 310 to 234 in favour of the "Loi Cadre" (framework law) designed to give rebellion-torn Algeria limited self-rule. A companion bill giving Moslems more equal voting rights with French settlers passed 292 to 249.

### LOI CADRE

Deputies approved the Loi Cadre by 209 to 200 and the electoral bill by 207 to 200 last November. 30 when Gaillard put the twin bills to a confidence vote test.

There was no vote of confidence involved in tonight's assembly action.

The Senate had made some modifications in the Algerian package bill after its first passage by the Assembly last autumn.

If the Senate adopts the version passed by the deputies tonight, the reform measure would become law. It would go into effect, however, only after a cease-fire between the Algerian rebels and the French Army.—United Press.

### Standardisation

General Campbell, answering other questions, said there were no formal plans for exchange of officers between the armed forces of the Pact members.

Standardisation of weapons was one of the problems under consideration, he said.

(The Pact members are Britain, Turkey, Pakistan, Iraq and Persia.)

Mr Khalidi was asked at the press conference if in the event of aggression against one member of the Pact the other four members would come to his aid.

Mr Khalidi, who is an Iraqi, replied in English, "The answer is categorically Yes."

"The main objective of the Pact is collective security. Collective security means that if there is an aggression against one it is an aggression to all. That is my understanding." — Reuter.

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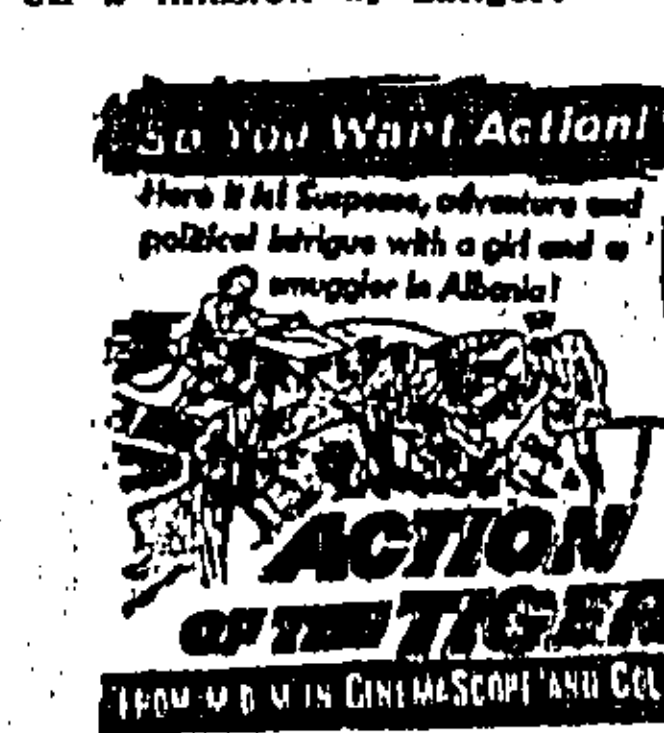
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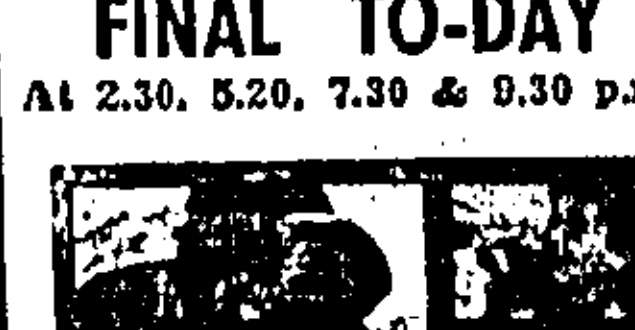
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### The Biggest Burglary in N. America

Bearer Bonds Worth  
US \$1,800,000

Montreal, Jan. 28. Loot in a weekend burglary was officially set at \$1,800,000 worth of bearer bonds today. It was the largest known haul of its kind in North American history.

Henri Guimet, general manager of the Societe Nationale de Fiducie, a trust company, revealed the amount of the theft. He said the bonds were owned by the Caisse Nationale d'Economie, an insurance company subsidiary of the trust company which used the same premises and vault.

He said the bearer bonds—readily negotiable because the owner's name is not registered—were mainly issued by the Province of Quebec, cities and municipalities of the province and parishes in the province.

#### ATTEMPTS

Police said the thieves missed securities worth at least as much as they stole. They gave up after several attempts to enter a steel cabinet containing an undisclosed amount in securities.

Detectives said they burned three holes through it and ran into records also stored in the cabinet.

Detectives said the safe-crackers, described as experts, probably hid in the building, which is in the financial district, the vaults shortly after the offices closed for the weekend.

They used dynamite, torches, acetylene drills and crowbars to cut through steel and concrete into the main vault.—United Press.

### INGRID'S DIVORCE LEGALLY VALID

Stockholm, Jan. 28. A SWEDISH government legal expert said today that Sweden recognized as valid Ingrid Bergman's Mexican divorce from her first husband, Dr. Peter Lindstrom.

The point is a key one in Roberto Rossellini's suit for annulment of his Mexican proxy marriage to Miss Bergman.

Rossellini's suit, filed on December 17 in Rome, claimed that Miss Bergman's divorce from Dr. Lindstrom failed to meet several requirements of Swedish law. Both Miss Bergman and Dr. Lindstrom are Swedish nationals.

A spokesman for the Legal Department of the Swedish Foreign Office disputed the contention.

"The Mexican Court was, according to Swedish law, entitled to grant Miss Bergman a divorce in accordance with Mexican law," he told United Press.

"According to Swedish law, a proxy divorce of this kind would not have to be contested in a Swedish court to win approval."—United Press.



Ingrid Bergman

#### SPRING FASHIONS:

### Paris Bows To The 'Sack' — But With A Difference

Paris, Jan. 28. More Paris fashion designers today proved that it's no good being obstinate about that Sack—but with their own delightful individual variations.

Pierre Balmain, showed as always, a chic highly-wearable collection — and his hemlines well below the knee, are the longest in Paris. His "tubular" line accepts the long low-waisted look with a hint of shaping at the waist.

Jacques Griffe produces a sack silhouette called "Sugar Loaf," loosely shaped and finished with a wide flounce from hip to knee. For the evening, he has very full "maternity" dresses he calls "dolla dresses."

Balmain's tubular line in his "Jolie Madame de Paris" collection certainly produced the most restrained and wearable sack in town.

Newest of ideas too was the clever sunray pleating worked into jackets, dresses and suits.

For evening he had dance dresses with swelling skirts beneath a straight tubular bodice—a style inspired by the Empress Marie-Therese.

Furs for summer were another feature of this collection, a striking ensemble is the jet black full-length mink coat lined in black and white polka-dot surah matching a two piece dress.

#### COLORS

Brilliant colours put black right into the shade. Balmain showed a range of vivid acid yellows, and bright electric blues. There were lots of bluish pinks, reds and flashes of jade green.

Jacques Griffe augmented his "Sugar Loaf" sack with straight-cut "Peasant Over-shirts." These were fashioned like swimsuits from the Gay Nineties, or decollete and tied in front with baggy fullness caught in a band at the hips.

His doll's dress "maternity" party clothes were made as a child would cut a hole in a round piece of cloth, pleating falling casually like smocks.

Gabrielle Chanel's spring collection makes no formal acknowledgment to the Sack. In her own way "Coco" Chanel has been encouraging loose, unfitted lines since her sensational comeback three years ago.

One of the most single-minded designers in Paris, her 1950 Spring Look was for casual, boxy little jersey and tweed suits with loose jackets. Seen at Chanel: Madame Jacques Fath has become a customer at Chanel since the closing of her own couture house.—Reuter.

### 'RIOT'

#### HK POLICE OFFICERS OBSERVE METHODS

Singapore, Jan. 28. Nearly 3,000 police and troops dealt with eight hours of mock rioting in Singapore today.

The operation code-named "Cudgel Blow" was designed to test co-operation between police and army, and the speed and efficiency with which security forces could throw a cordon round a disturbed area.

"Cudgel Blow" was watched by the Hongkong Police Commissioner, Mr. A. C. Maxwell, the Malayan Police Commissioner, Mr. W. L. R. Carboneil, Senior Superintendents, N.G. Rolph and J. B. Lees of the Hongkong Police, and Lieutenant-Colonel Ross Gwynne, a British Army officer attached to the Hongkong Police.

Helicopters were used for observation in the exercise. Highlight of the day was a demonstration by a "howling mob" of plainclothes police at the disused Kallang airport.

Waving banners and hurling tomatoes, they were finally "dispersed" by a police riot squad, and "B" Company of The South Wales Borderers.—Reuter.

### Australia To Establish 'Unsurpassed' Record Of Development

London, Jan. 28. Sir Eric Harrison, Australian High Commissioner in London, said tonight that Australia would establish over the next 10 years a record of development unsurpassed by any country in the world.

"We will have a population rising to 12 million in 10 years, a 40 per cent increase in output of secondary industries, double the output of electric power, wealth from minerals to rival the value of the wool clip, and steel production rising to six million tons a year," he declared.

"We have 10 times the reserves of copper we thought we had. We have discovered colossal resources of bauxite."

#### AMAZING

"Today's amazing revolution in Australia's rural economy as a result of the impact of scientific discovery will have brought the acreage of land under cultivation to 100 million as against 30 million today."

Sir Eric, speaking at an Australia Day dinner in London, said he did not think his country's new horizons had been fully grasped by Britain, otherwise more British industries would have branched out in Australia in recent years.

Australia would have to look elsewhere if she could not get British capital to finance her development, he added.—Reuter.

### 'Liz Taylor On Radio Moscow

Moscow, Jan. 28. Moscow Radio, broadcasting an interview with Mike Todd, the American producer and his actress wife Elizabeth Taylor, quoted Miss Taylor as saying she would very much like to be part of a joint American Soviet production effort.

"It would be fascinating and it would be very good for both of our countries," she added. The couple are now visiting Moscow.—Reuter.

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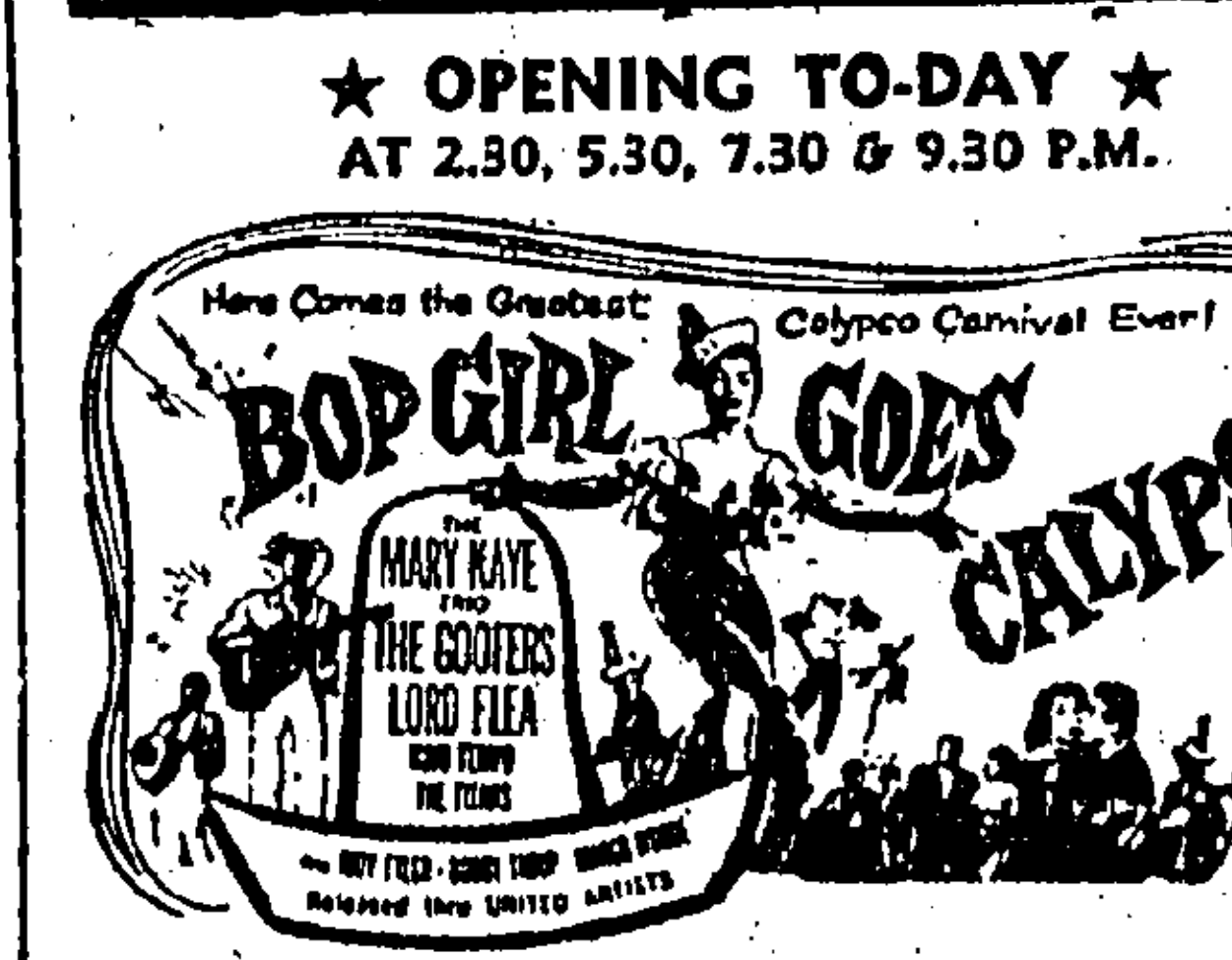


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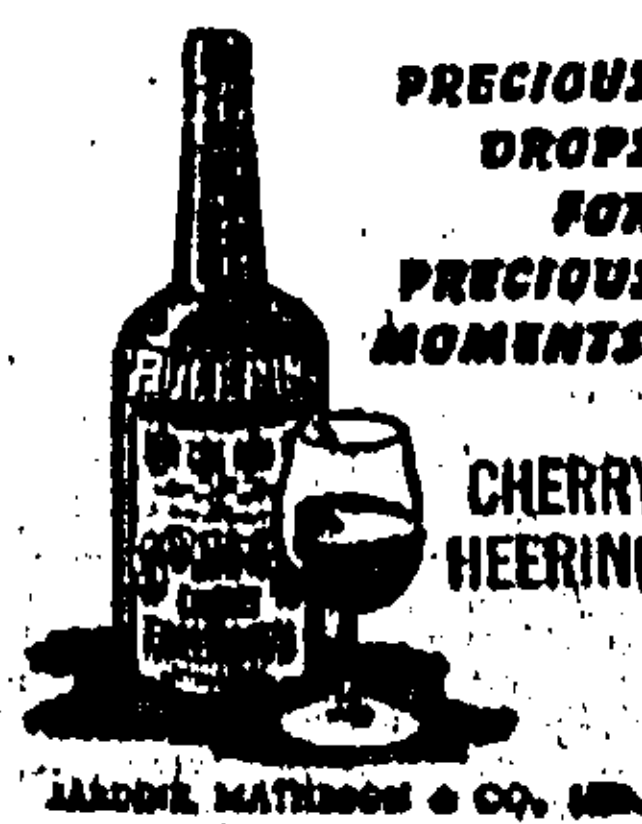


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### 'Liz Taylor On Radio Moscow

Moscow, Jan. 28. Moscow Radio, broadcasting an interview with Mike Todd, the American producer and his actress wife Elizabeth Taylor, quoted Miss Taylor as saying she would very much like to be part of a joint American Soviet production effort.

"It would be fascinating and it would be very good for both of our countries," she added. The couple are now visiting Moscow.—Reuter.



## CABLE BRIEFS

London, Jan. 28. When Roy Lyons, newly arrived from Jamaica, is happy he likes to show it. The other night, Lyons was happy. He threw his arms around the nearest policeman and shouted, "I am happy in this country. Let's dance." Said the judge in a Tottenham Court Road court today: "It is very nice to know you are very happy in this particular country. But he fined Lyons 10 shillings for being drunk and disorderly just the same."—United Press.

St. Jackson, Jan. 28. An Army Reserve training group here has two new privates with military names: Captain G. Matthews, and Colonel H. Walker Jr.—United Press.

Springfield, Jan. 28. Chief Evergreen Tree, an Indian from Wisconsin, Delia, Wisconsin, drew a line of \$25 and costs for speeding yesterday although he explained that he merely followed a Paleface's example.

Accused of driving 53 miles an hour in a 30-mile zone, the Chief said another motorist passed him. "So I nudged my gray pony and moved on."—United Press.

Evansville, Jan. 28. Newspaper deliveryman Rainey Lemmons, 24, complained to police yesterday he sighted what looked like a wildcat in the street and had to fire a pistol at it before it would get out of his way.—United Press.

Madison, Jan. 28. Police arrested a 17-year-old boy yesterday for driving his station wagon on the pavement. They rejected his protest that he was driving slowly and anyway was merely looking for a lost pair of glasses.—United Press.

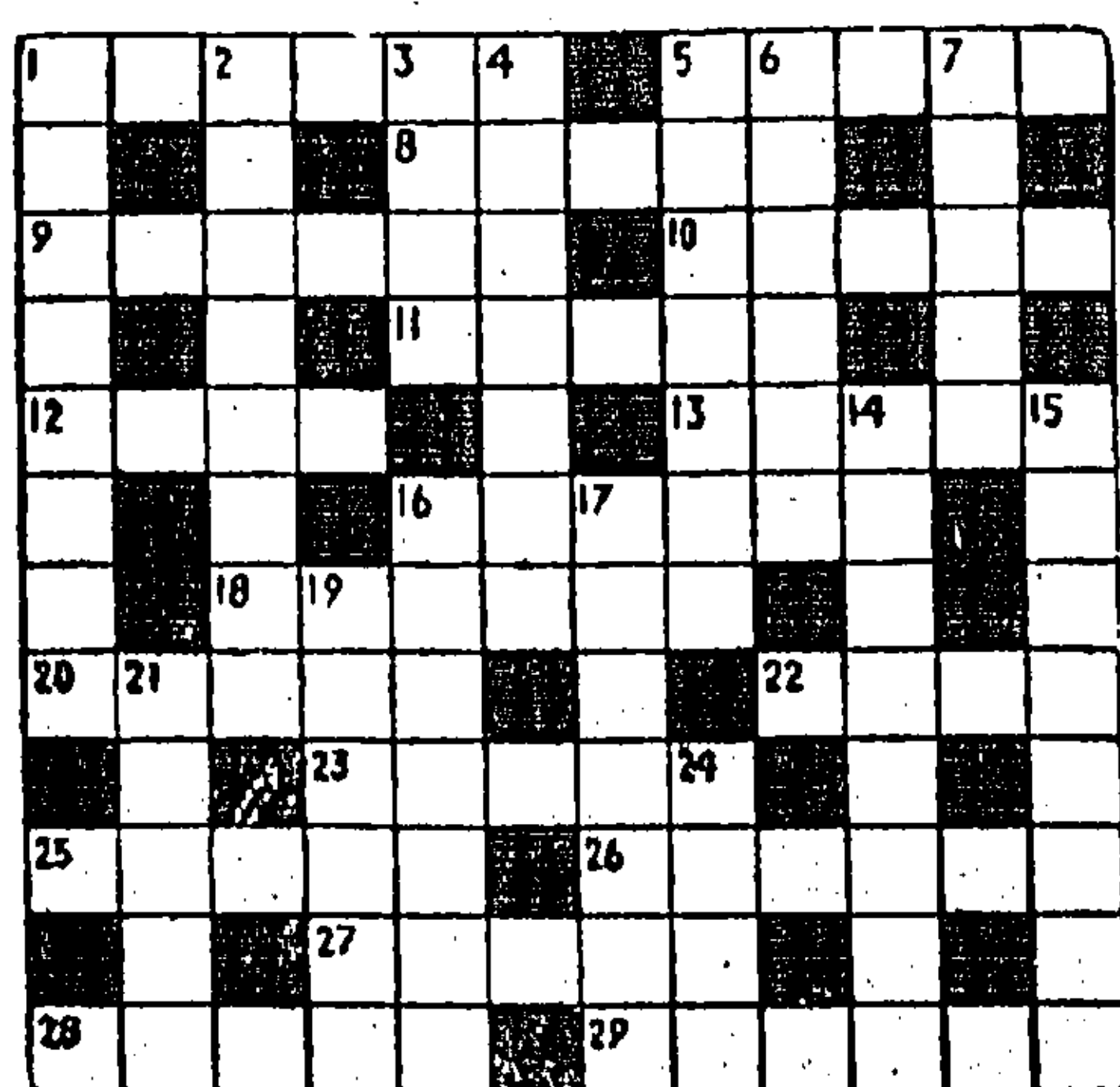
Osaka, Jan. 28. The Osaka Housing Commission foresight in its plan to build a new housing unit for bachelor girls—right next to four apartment houses built exclusively for unmarried men.

Next on the programme: another apartment house nearby for married couples.—United Press.

## Convicts Refuse To Eat

Deer Lodge, Montana, Jan. 28. SOME 300 prisoners of the Montana State Penitentiary had been 24 hours without food as their sit-down strike continued here tonight. The prisoners refused to leave their dining-room early today for reasons which they did not disclose. The Governor said they would have no more food until they returned to their cells. So far there have been no incidents in the current strike. The prison was the scene of riots six months ago.—France-Press.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



## ACROSS

- 1 The north wind (6).
- 5 Popular song (5).
- 8 Look rudely (5).
- 9 Introductory dish (6).
- 10 Play a part (6).
- 11 Chair without legs (5).
- 12 Retain some cargo space (4).
- 13 Auctions (5).
- 16 Form of meteor a very long way off (8).
- 18 The motive (6).
- 20 Twangy (6).
- 22 Top-liner (4).
- 23 Slow movers (5).
- 25 They run from centre to circumference (5).
- 26 Long Bob (6).
- 27 Staircase column (5).
- 28 Men or beasts? (5).
- 29 What schoolchildren have in a hot summer term? (6).

## DOWN

- 1 Dearly beloved people? (8).
- 2 Annoying snakes? (8).
- 3 Grows old (4).
- 4 Wherein men put their arms (7).
- 5 State offence (7).
- 6 Curdling agent (6).
- 7 Go one better (6).
- 14 They may be attached to stirrups (8).
- 16 Furniture man (8).
- 18 Recovers (7).
- 19 Not a pure-bred (7).
- 20 Making more comfortable (6).
- 21 Not together (5).
- 24 Nothing but fish (4).

TUESDAY'S SOLUTION—Across: 3 Idea, 7 Short, 8 Bear, Across: 1 Lancer, 9 Owe, 10 Snap, 10 Arson, 21 Comet, 22 Crap, 23 Earls (Court), 24 Digs, 25 Layette, 30 Prim, 31 Pair, 32 Sull, 33 Yank. Down: 1 Shorn, 2 Profano, 4 Dries, 5 Abot, 6 Rare, 9 Flop, 11 I-into, 13 Rasp, 14 Kind, 16 Early, 17 Scud, 18 Smug, 20 Rosette, 22 Cram, 24 Alley, 25 Stile, 27 Imam, 29 Stry.

State Department's Retort To Nikita's Attack  
Mr K's 'Distorted View' Of USWrong Idea Of US  
Policies  
And Motives

Washington, Jan. 28. The State Department said today that Mr Nikita Khrushchev, the Soviet Communist Party leader, in his speech broadcast by Moscow Radio last week-end, had taken a "distorted view" of United States' policies and motives.

The formal statement read by the State Department's spokesman added that Mr Khrushchev's speech, and his "hors d'oeuvres" remarks at a cocktail party last night in Moscow, emphasised the difficulties which would beset a short, unprepared East-West summit meeting.

The spokesman, Mr Lincoln White said the United States certainly did not consider Mr Khrushchev's speech or his statements last night as the Soviet Union's reply to President Eisenhower's statement on January 12 that he would be willing to meet Soviet leaders, providing adequate preparations were made in advance at the diplomatic or Foreign Ministers' level.

President Eisenhower made his offer in a letter to Mr Nikita Khrushchev, the Soviet Prime Minister, in that letter, which replied to an earlier message from Mr Khrushchev, the President also suggested that attempts should be made, outside of the general disarmament framework, to reach agreement on the peaceful control of outer space.

Mr Khrushchev, in the speech which he made at an agricultural rally in Minsk last Wednesday, accused the United States of trying to increase tension.

He said the Soviet Union would discuss control of the inter-continental ballistic missile after the West had agreed to a ban on nuclear weapons, a ban on nuclear testing, and the liquidation of its overseas bases.

The State Department statement today said the United

States could not believe that Mr Khrushchev's speech, or his remarks last night, that "stating with hors d'oeuvres, then going on to the main course or the main problem, were intended as an adequate reply to the President's letter."

In fact, the statement at one point pointedly referred to Mr Khrushchev as the "First Secretary of the Soviet Communist Party," whereas Mr Bulganin is the head of the Soviet Government.

The statement also said it was "noteworthy" that when Mr Llewellyn Thompson, the U.S. Ambassador in Moscow, met Mr Andrei Gromyko, the Soviet Foreign Minister, last Thursday to find out the reaction to the President's proposal, Mr Gromyko made no mention of the matters raised in Khrushchev's speech the day before.

It said that Mr Khrushchev's speech made no mention "of the long series of initiatives of the United States for peace as well as its long, constant record of non-aggression."

Mr Khrushchev also had taken a distorted view of the policies and motives of some of the Western allies, the statement added.

This was a reference particularly to Britain and France who, like the United States, have sent formal replies to the Soviet Government's demand for an immediate summit conference.—Reuter.

Moro Pirates  
Raid  
P.I. Villages

Manila, Jan. 29. A huge Moro (Moslem Filipino) pirate band, riding 13 native sail-boats, yesterday sacked two coastal villages in Cebu Province, Central Philippines, the Army authorities reported last night.

The band, reported to have comprised more than 100 men, took away food and valuables and would have kidnapped children, had they not been told by the men-folk.

The Moros fled shortly before Army troops arrived.

The raid was the first report of a Moro pirate band operating beyond Southern Philippine waters and raiding a Central Philippine province.—France-Press.

He's Amazed At  
The Faith &  
Pride In  
Hongkong

Mr Teeling

London, Jan. 28. Mr William Teeling, a Conservative Member of Parliament, said in a broadcast here tonight that the non-Communist Chinese had "amazing faith and pride" in Hongkong.

Mr Teeling was speaking about his recent visit to the Colony on the British Broadcasting Corporation's "At Home and Abroad" programme.

He said Communists "on the whole" were falling in Hongkong, though they were making use of the dock closures.

Mr Teeling described the Colony's immigration problem as "fantastic." The government and local council were doing "absolute wonders" in housing refugees, he added.—Reuter.

Hungary's New Prime  
Minister  
Falls Into Line

"—I'll Follow The Same Road"

Budapest, Jan. 28. Hungary's new Prime Minister, Dr Ferenc Muenich, making his maiden speech in Parliament today, said he was 100 per cent in agreement with the policy of his predecessor, Mr Janos Kadar, who resigned to concentrate on his duties as First Secretary of the Hungarian Communist Party.

The new government, he added, "will follow the same road as that chosen by the Kadar government at a historic time."

The new government did not represent any sort of political change.

Dr Muenich, portly and jovial looking, said he respected Mr Kadar as a man "who did not spare his energies for the well-being of the Hungarian people and who gained merit in preventing the people from falling into the abyss of the counter-revolution."

The new Prime Minister said a unity had been created in the Party and government during the past 15 months "which I must say never existed before."

He added that the Soviet Union remained the guarantee for the national existence, independence and progress.—Reuter.

## Heart Attacks

Bronxville, Jan. 28. Heart attacks claimed the lives of Frank X. Gile, an executive assistant in the Boiler Division of Entrock & Wilcox Co., and his wife, Mrs Helen Tatal Gile, within an eight-hour period.

Gile, 57, died at his home. Mrs Gile, 58, died early yesterday morning also at home.—United Press.

## Red Ears In US?

## SIR PERCY SPENDER'S FAREWELL REMARKS

New York, Jan. 28. IF a lot of ears in the U.S. turned today it may have been because of what Sir Percy Spender, retiring Australian Ambassador to the United States, said at a farewell luncheon here: "It is a tragedy that the American people are so little understood by other parts of the world. Americans are basically a religious people; so much of their life revolves around the Church. Sometimes they are criticised as fanatical."

and moralistic in dealing with other nations. Perhaps because of their religion and history, they are idealistic, and the confusion of religion and idealism makes it very difficult for them to compromise with anything they believe evil. Americans are kindly, generous and friendly. Sir Percy spoke to the American-Australian Association. He said his wife and himself were for Europe, where he will be a judge of the World Court at The Hague—United Press.

Storm Police Lines  
To Get Near  
Their Proxy Brides

Sydney, Jan. 28. Hundreds of Greeks and Italians stormed the gates of the wharf here today to get to their proxy brides. More than 250 brides arrived in the liner Castel Felice but were not allowed near their husbands until they had been cleared by customs.

In amazing scenes, dozens of Italians and Greeks climbed the 10-foot gates at the end of the wharf and rushed police.

Five police cars raced to the scene and twenty police ordered the men back.

A brawl followed in which police were punched by excited Italians. Dozens of the waiting Italians stopped delivery trucks and customs and agents cars and offered drivers £(A)1 if they would drive them through the gates.

## SUDDEN DASH

A couple got through before police realised what was happening. They then searched every truck going on to the wharf for customs inspection.

Many of the proxy brides had not seen their husbands for years and could not understand why they were not allowed to talk to them. They screamed and wept at police and customs officials who could not make them understand.

Meanwhile their agitated husbands tried dozens of ruses to gain entry to the wharf but police caught up with all of them.—China Mail Special.

## Held Shirley

Bassey

## Captive In

## Hotel: Gaoled

London, Jan. 28. A 20-year-old travelling salesman, who held coloured singer Shirley Bassey—now touring Australia—hostage for "three hours of terror" was gaoled for three years here today.

The salesman, Terence Davis, was found guilty of shooting at a police inspector with intent to resist arrest and possessing a pistol with intent to endanger life.

He had pleaded guilty to assaulting Peter Honey, a variety artist with whom Miss Bassey was said in court last week to have associated.

He was sentenced to three years' imprisonment on all three charges, the sentences to run concurrently. Davis was alleged to have gone to a hotel in London's West End on November 18 last year to talk with Miss Bassey of his love for her, held her hostage, barricaded the door of her room against police and to have fired five shots from a pistol.

SHOTS After Honey left he was alone with Miss Bassey, and during their conversation fired a shot at the phone.

Davis barricaded the door and when police arrived he fired a shot, splintering the door panel. He fired again after his father arrived.

The fifth shot went into his own leg and may have been fired in accident, the prosecution alleged. In his summing-up, the judge referred to Davis's statement in which he said his mother told him Miss Bassey had got rid of four babies by different men. Miss Bassey had denied the allegations. The judge commented: "A pretty character if you accept the evidence."

A statement issued by Miss Bassey's solicitor tonight said there was "no truth or foundation whatsoever" in the statement that "she got rid of four babies by different men." "This report has caused great distress to our client and members of her family," the statement said.—China Mail Special.

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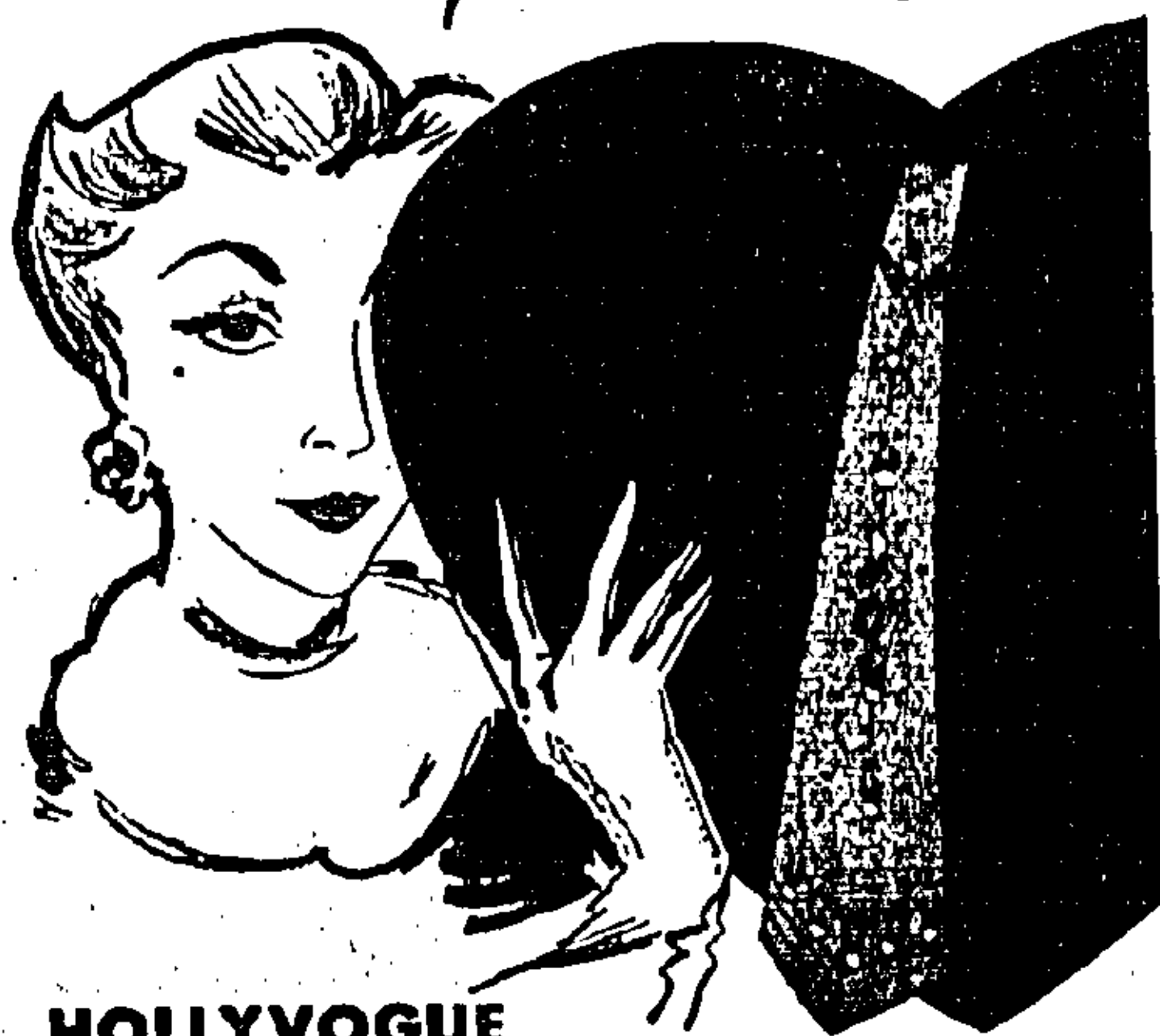
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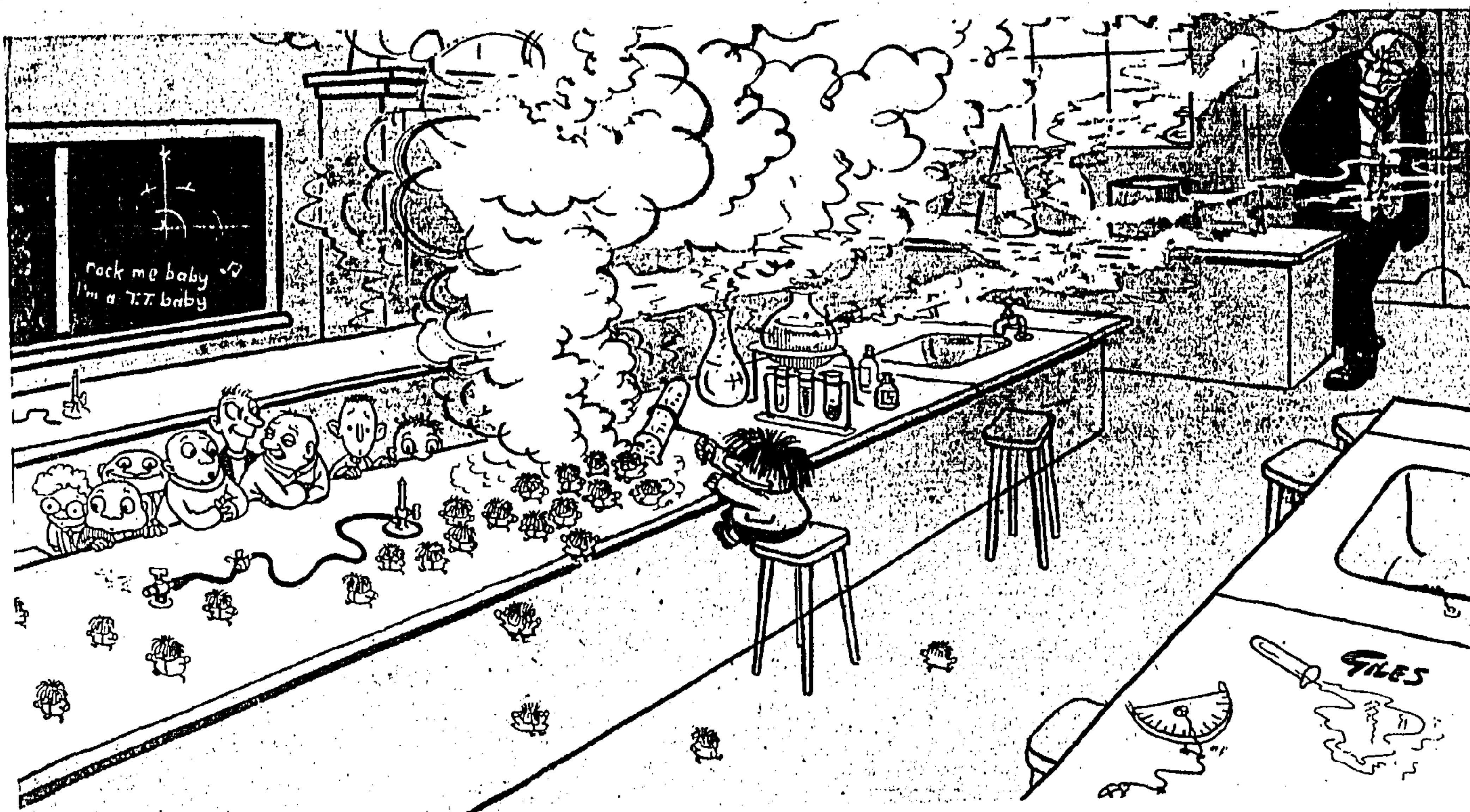
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## TEST TUBE BABIES should be made a crime says the Primate

"an honest and moving case"

TWO women talked the other day about the secret of their happiness—a secret they wish they could share with the Archbishop of Canterbury.

Dr. Fisher believes that artificial insemination by an anonymous donor should be made a criminal offence.

The women are London housewives who both had babies this way.

Mrs. X—who is 30—told her story in her Chiswick home to the accompaniment of the gurgles of her seven-month-old baby boy.

"We had been married for six years and all that time we longed for a child. One day I asked my husband how he would feel about a test-tube baby."

He replied: "To share in its environment and its upbringing—that's ample for me."

BEAUTIFUL

"And so I had the baby. Now he is such a beautiful boy. I think he resembles my husband. This baby has made us more united because we both believe that science is a gift of God and should be used for man's benefit."

Mrs. Y, who is 32, has a four-year-old son born after artificial insemination. She plans to have three more children. She said: "My husband and I had a baby. It was born dead and I was told it would be impossible for me to have another child. I felt that our marriage was slipping, that it was essential for me to have a child. My husband agreed that I should have a test-tube baby."

From a man, the last word. Said 35-year-old Mr. Y: "Of course I spoil him."

by

ANN KENNY

UP COUNTRY BY THURLOW CRAIG

## THE DAY Mr. STOAT WIPED OUT A COLONY OF RATS

AT his worst the stoat is a courageous little beast obeying the laws of a nature without realising that he is breaking those of man. At his best he is a humorist, sometimes a clown.

He ranks high as the gamekeeper's enemy, but I know farmers who regard him as friend—for he kills rats and mice that would otherwise plunder the stackyards.

Not long ago I witnessed a fantastic episode on a canal which rambles down the border counties, remaining in being as a feeder to the Midlands waterways and providing drinking-water for thousands of head of stock.

Unused by barges, it runs as clear as crystal and harbours wild life of many species. The water teems with big fish, while birds of all kinds find sanctuary in the reeds that line the banks.

Coots and moorhens bustle about quite tamely, and there is even a place where a family of otters has raised several broods without attracting the attention of the local otter-hunt.

### UNCANNY SKILL In avoiding man

Mallard and other wild-fowl too are plentiful on this lovely old canal. Here and there are old wharves. Nowadays they are deserted, and the thick stone blocks have become natural rock gardens.

One wharf in particular was both beautiful and evil, because it harboured a great colony of brown rats which preyed on stackyards and chicken-runs near by. These filthy brutes were almost invulnerable in their stone fortresses, showing uncanny skill in avoiding man.

One morning I sat hidden on the opposite bank hoping for a shot at one of them, but they must have known I was there, for they kept hidden.

A moorhen bobbed furtively by, taking no notice of me. A water vole, sleek and shining, sat and combed his whiskers within five feet of me. Two pigeons conversed in a tree above my head. But never a rat appeared.

### LIKE A SNAKE Then wild squeals

Then, on the towpath a few yards away to my right, something moved. I held my breath as a slim stoat stood up on its hind legs to take in the scene. Apparently it decided that there was nothing to fear from man or beast.

The graceful little creature plunged into the canal and swam strongly across, flat head poised on curved neck, just like a snake. Arriving at the other side, it disappeared in a crack of the wharf between two great stones.

Suddenly there was an anguished shriek followed by a chorus of wild squeals. Rats appeared all over the place, popping like champagne corks out of one hole, back into another, and out again somewhere else. It was like a scene out of a Disney film.

Rats plunged or slipped and fell into the water, swimming anywhere to escape the red destroyer—and some of them were much bigger than the stoat. I could have shot several, but this was no case for blundering human intervention, so I let the brave little stoat have his fun.

Now there were fewer rats, and finally the father of the tribe appeared, his entire body

### BATTLE OVER Not a rat left

The battle was over. Not a single rat remained in sight, and the stoat now performed the characteristic dance of his tribe when pleased or—as I then saw—triumphant. He bucked along the top of the wharf, clucking with every stiff-legged, hump-backed jump until he went over the edge and fell in with a splash.

He swam calmly back to my side, got out on to the towpath, shook himself dry—and spotted me. For a long minute we stared at each other, neither of us stirring.

Then he ambled gracefully away along the towpath with never a backward glance. Evidently I was harmless.

THE Archbishop of Canterbury demanded the other day that artificial insemination by an anonymous donor should be made a criminal offence.

If that could not be done, he said, the law should require that each case be registered.

### 'No security'

The register should record the name of the donor and be available for inspection under safeguards.

Dr. Fisher, 70, and the father of six sons, devoted most of a 3,000-word address to the subject at the Convocation of Canterbury at Westminster.

He told the Church's "parliament":

"Marriage is meant among other things to give children the security of knowing who their parents are and to give society the same security."

"Artificial insemination destroys that security. The child is to be the life-long victim of deception; society is deceived also; and the family, mother, foster, father, and child exist in a relationship which is not that of nature nor that of open adoption, but one of secret make-believe."

### 'Deception'

"It is hard to believe that a decision on so profound a matter of social, domestic and moral welfare should be left entirely in the hands of a medical practitioner."

"It is difficult also to suppose that the law can allow the standing and integrity of the family and the parentage of children to rest upon deliberate deception."

"An honest and moving case can be made out for artificial insemination by a donor but it cannot be treated as a private matter only."

"Doctors know they are trespassing on ground which, if not forbidden, is heavily mined."

"In their anxiety to do no wrong they take immense care in matters that do not really belong to medical science at all."

The archbishop referred to a recent case in Scotland where a husband was refused divorce on grounds of adultery after his wife gave birth to a "test-tube baby."

He said: "If the law gives him a remedy against adultery by his wife, it can hardly deny him a remedy against his wife if she bears into his family a child born out of wedlock and without his knowledge."

### TV talk

Then the archbishop attacked the secret partner in artificial insemination—the donor—saying: "He beguiles children whom he will never be able to see or know, and for whose temporal and spiritual welfare he can never bear any personal responsibility."

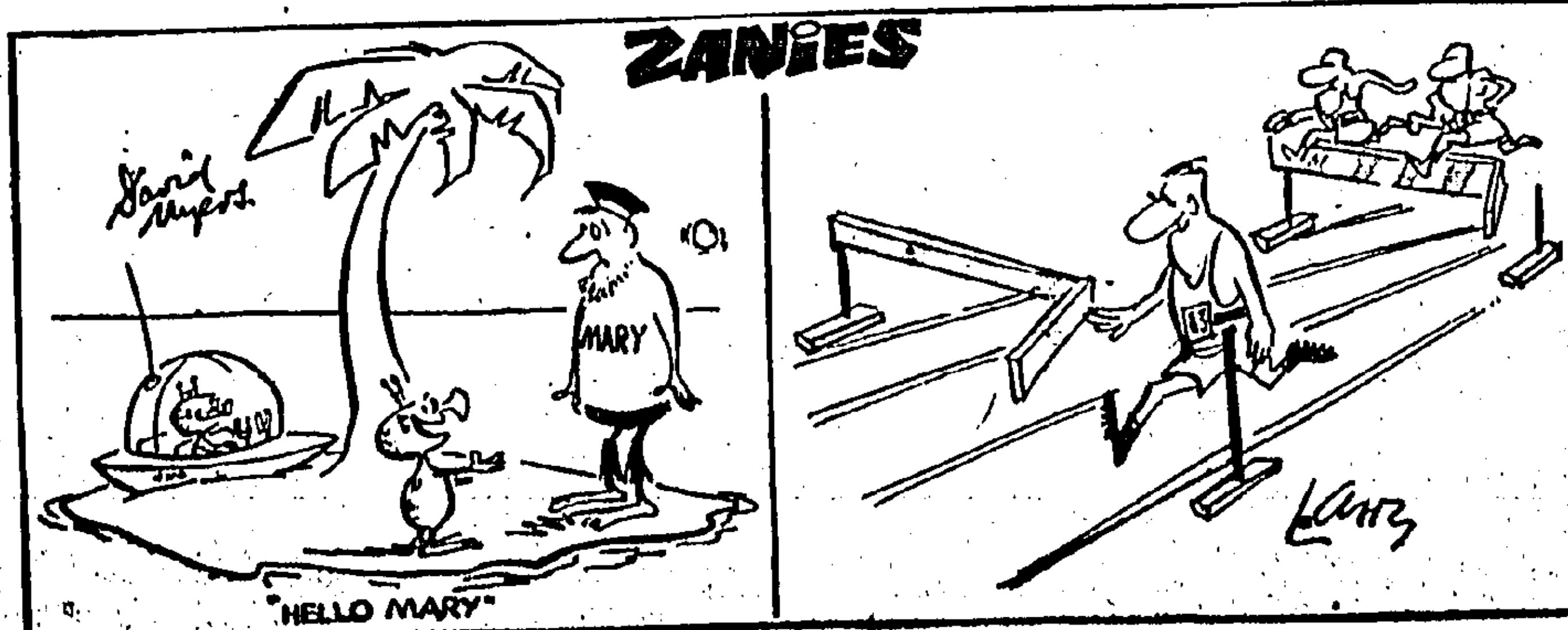
"It is not adultery on his part. It is something far less responsible and FAR LESS HUMAN than adultery."

Dr. Fisher then said: "I am told that recently in a discussion on television a clergyman of the Church of England said that the Church had given no guidance on this matter."

"He was very wrong. It is a serious thing for a clergyman thus to mislead a nation-wide audience."

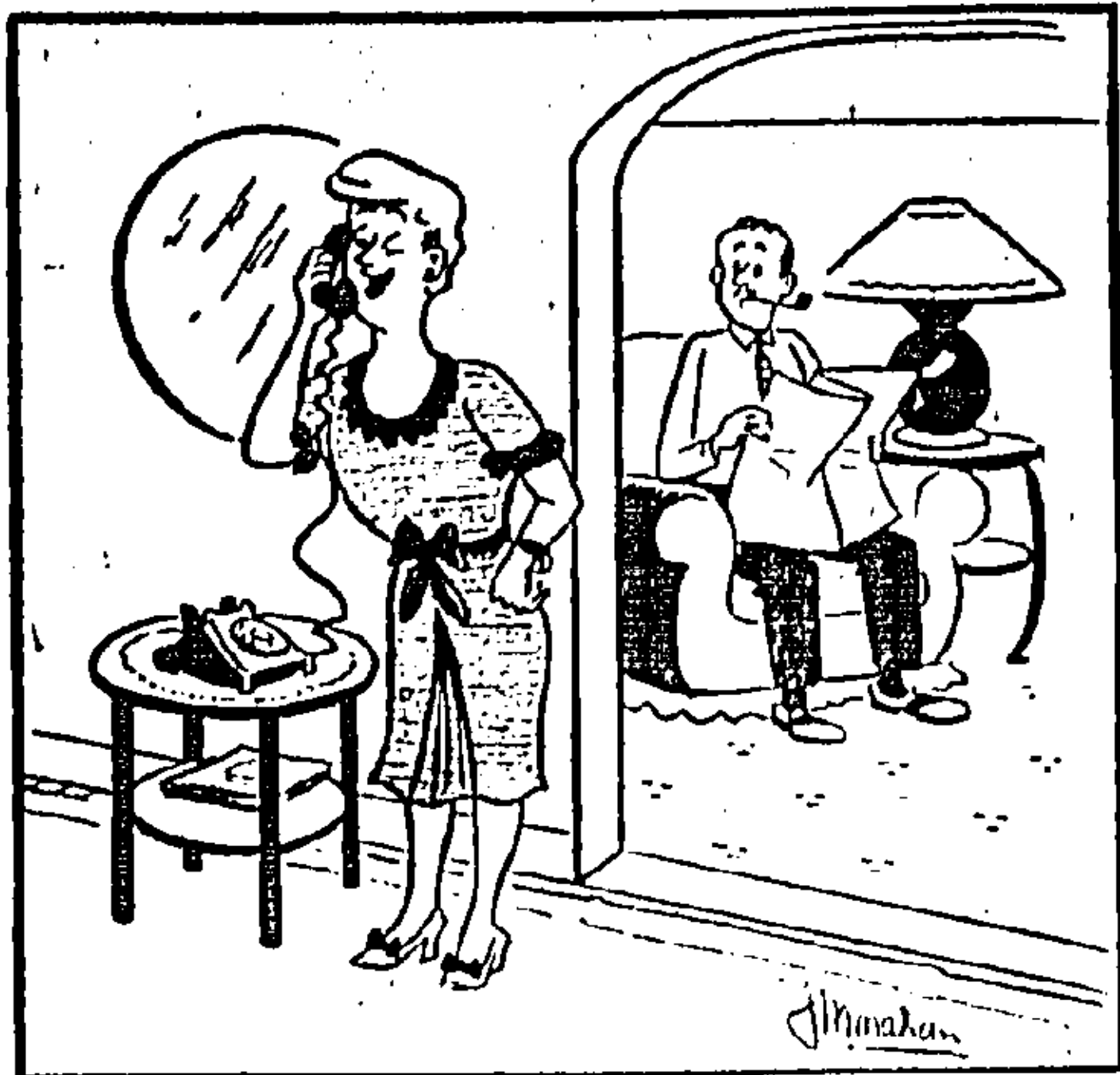
But the Rev. Chad Varah, of St. Stephen's, Walbrook, who took part in the television discussion, said: "I did not say that."

"Whoever told him of the broadcast was misinformed."





## This Funny World



"I'll just give you the bare facts, Agnes, and you can embellish them yourself."

## • BY • THE • WAY •

by Beachcomber

It is with pardonable pride that I announce the absence of anything about trousers today. At last we are free of the subject, for the moment.

When one thinks of the vast field open to a writer, the constant harping on trousers seems ludicrous, and I imagine that there are people who will construe my reference to the request of my niece, the former man cutter, as an admission that I am in some way boosting her firm by so many references to trousers. Now, trousers—

**Prod nose:** I thought we had done with them, but here you are, at it again.

**Myself:** Very well. Let us consider other matters.

**Prod nose:** Thank you. I hope your niece won't make a fuss.

## Book review

**GENERAL SIR CAXTON BELLWETHER'S** war memoirs are a warm tribute to his distinguished career. With commendable generosity, while acknowledging the decisive part played by himself and his Service colleagues in every crisis of the war, he admits ungrudgingly that Sir Winston Churchill, though a civilian, made occasional suggestions which were not without value. He goes further, and even hints that Sir Winston's influence on events, under the careful guidance of the soldiers, must not be overlooked. It is made clear that, though Sir Winston's energy and pupillage often disturbed the calmer rhythms of military operations, this must not be taken as an indication that he made

## YOUR BIRTHDAY ... By STELLA

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29

**BORN** today, you have been given the mind and you should develop the cultural side of your life intensively. You have a scientific approach to problems, being logical and practical. Yet you are an individualist and prefer to follow in the footsteps of others.

Your own original ideas, you believe, are quite the best there are. Stick to your beliefs, come what may, for you have a kind of opposition you can become one of the outstanding minds of your generation and leave your mark upon posterity.

You may not always find life a bed of roses, but you have the gift of being able to make the best of things and will carry your own message to the world. You may enter politics and could become a statesman, provided you keep your horizons wide and clear.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 30

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—A good day to make up what you may have lost out recently. Tide has again turned in your favour.

**PISCES** (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—You may now take a calculated risk with the assumption that you will reach your major objective safely.

**ARIES** (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—A good day for retail merchandising. You should stand to make a good profit on a deal, perhaps at a distance.

**TAURUS** (Apr. 21-May 21)—Business opportunities now are reopened. You should be prepared to take full advantage of them at once.

**GEMINI** (May 22-June 21)—Exert the force of your personality to get exactly what you want. Permit no distractions from your major objective.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 23)—The stars show a kind and auspicious aspect, so take full advantage of the success potential.

**LEO** (July 24-Aug. 23)—The tide has now turned in your direction and you can achieve desired business and social objectives easily.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Take full advantage of an opportunity offered for advancement on the job. Promotion can be yours for the asking.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—Now is the time to follow up that good lead. You can be sure that you will now get exactly what you want.

## • JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Hard Luck Joe Did It Himself

By OSWALD JACOBY

**HARD** Luck Joe ruffed the second heart lead, pulled trumps and remarked, "Well, partner, we missed a slam," and showed his hand.

"Down one at five," growled West.

West was right. The possibility of a five zero break in clubs had never entered Joe's mind.

Joe complained about his hard luck and as usual he had manufactured it all by himself.

There was a simple way to guard against the bad club break. All Joe had to do was to lead one trump to dummy's

NORTH 11			
♠ A Q 3			
♥ 8 5 4			
♦ A J 10 7 4			
♣ 5 3			
EAST			
♠ 7 6 4 2			
♥ A K J 10 8			
♦ Q 8 5 2			
♣ None			
SOUTH (D)			
♠ K J 10 9 8			
♥ 3			
♦ A K Q J 9 4			
North and South vulnerable			
♠ Pass	♥ 1 ♠	1 ♠	
2 ♠	3 ♠	4 ♠	
5 ♠	5 ♠	Double Pass	
Opening lead—♥ 2			

see and play a club from dummy. On one showed out Joe could then draw trumps and claim his slam.

If East ruffed, Joe would simply win East's return, draw trumps and claim the balance. West could growl but he could not get a trick.

If East discarded on the club the play would be slightly complicated but Joe would still breeze home.

He would win that club trick and play a second high club. East's best play would be to ruff and return a heart. Now Joe would trump in and ruff a low club with dummy's queen of trumps. This would clear the club suit and he would again be able to pull trumps and make his contract.

## • CARD TABLE •

**Q—**The bidding has been:  
East South West North  
Pass Pass 1 N.T. Pass

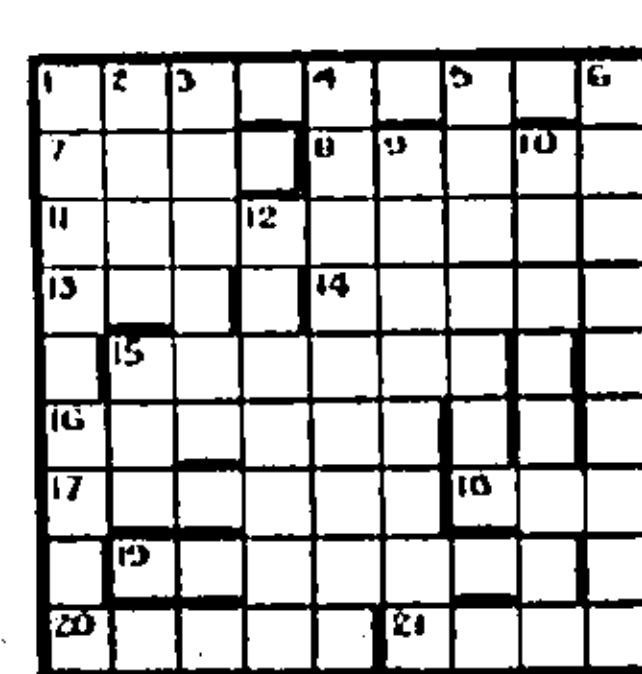
**You, South, hold:**  
AKJ97 ♠ 2 ♠ AQ65 ♠ K872  
What do you do?

**A—**Pass. Double is a close second choice but you aren't quite strong enough.

**TODAY'S QUESTION**  
You hold the same hand. The bidding has been:  
East South West North  
1 ♠ Pass 1 N.T. Pass  
2 ♠ Pass Pass 2 ♠

**What do you do?**  
Answer Tomorrow

## CROSSWORD



**Across**  
1. Lullaby (5)  
2. Done with (4)  
3. Reuse (5)  
4. Not very old (9)  
5. Insect (3)  
6. Light (3)  
7. Written (5)  
8. Laid worker (3)  
9. Make an order for goods (3)  
10. Old's name (3)  
11. Given (7)  
12. Supporter (3)  
13. Sluggish sort of sleep (4)

**Down**  
1. Nationality—with strings (9)  
2. River (4)  
3. Sarcasm (3)  
4. Discussions (9)  
5. Fairy queen (3)  
6. Makes finer (5)  
7. Still (2-7)  
8. Blatant (3)  
9. For to a (3)  
10. Religious place (7)  
11. Joke (3)

**Yesterday's solution**  
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**Chess News**

by LEONARD BARDEN

Solution No. 5340: 1. B—D6;

2. R—Q1; R—K4 ch; 3. R—R4;

R—K5; and 4. B—K3.

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## VOCATIONAL BIAS IS A COSTLY FOLLY

**NEXT** to racial prejudice, I think vocational prejudice is the most expensive folly we can engage in.

Parents are all too inclined to make their minds up that certain fields are desirable and of prestige, while others are for the peasants.

Take this letter, from a mother in Ohio:

"My boy worked as a waiter in a resort hotel last summer. Now that he's graduating from high school this month he is determined to go to college to study hotel management. But now he'll be working in kitchens and waiting on tables and doing goodness knows what."

"For that kind of thing, why should he go to college at all?"

This mother quite obviously knows very little about the hotel field. Moreover, she forgets that any job involves learning the lower rungs of the ladder. Doctors get plenty of messy jobs while they're learning their field.

I discussed this matter recently with Frank Wange-

man, General Manager of the Hotel New Yorker—one of the world's largest.

Mr. Wangerman has spent his whole life in the hotel field—first in Europe, then in America. His job is a varied and exciting one and you can see he loves it.

"But," he admitted, smiling, "when I was just beginning, it's true that I handled all kinds of jobs. Once when I was a waiter—learning the ropes—and my friends were studying for international diplomacy, for example, I felt kind of funny. But I wouldn't change a minute of it."

Mr. Wangerman believes in taking hotel courses in college. He told me that the hotel field now has training programmes for newcomers, just as industry does, where they have a chance to learn all the varied departments which go to make up a modern hotel.

I hope this mother—and all like her—will remember that there is no such thing as a mental point of view. And if her son doesn't have that mental point of view, she'd better not have it either!

—By ANNE HEYWOOD

## BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

### Who Could Be Talking?

—Hand Found Out It Was The Two Goldfish—

By MAX TRELL

**HAND**, the Shadow Girl with the Turned-About Name, was sitting alone in the Playroom when to her surprise—she was quite certain that she was alone—she distinctly heard two voices speaking.

Both the voices sounded soft and bubbly. It was as though some one were talking under water.

Hand looked around the room. Teddy, the Stuffed Bear, and Mary Jane, the Rag Doll, were both fast asleep in each others' arms under the chair.

General Tin, the Tin Soldier, was standing by the door with his musket over his shoulder. He didn't move a muscle.

### Under His Wing

The Canary was standing on his perch with his head under his wing.

The Cat was dozing in the corner. Mr. Punch was stretched out in his easy chair under the window. His eyes were shut.

"But my dear Alphonse," one of the bubbly underwater voices was saying, "do you think it right for us to be going out for a trip?"

"Of course, it's right, my darling Suzanne," said the second bubbly underwater voice. "Would you please get yourself ready to go?"

There was one last place that Hand had not looked. That place was the aquarium where Alphonse and Suzanne, the two Goldfish, lived.

And now Hand knew where the two bubbly, underwater voices were coming from. She could see the mouths of Alphonse and Suzanne moving behind the glass of the aquarium.

### Close To The Glass

Hand got up and drew close to the aquarium. She put her ear close to the glass. She could now hear the voices very plainly.

"I'll get ready at once, my dear," she heard Suzanne saying.

"But where shall we go, when we leave the aquarium?"

"Where shall we go, Suzanne? Why, we'll go everywhere. That's where we'll go."

With these words, Suzanne, who was greatly excited over the idea of going outside—as Goldfish, neither one of them had ever been outside the aquarium—swam off to have a last look at herself in the reflecting glass at the back. She saw quickly that all her scales were lying in neat rows, her fins were hanging properly. Her fins were sharp and clean, and her complexion was rosy—indeed golden—which is as it should be.

Then she returned to Alphonse. "I'm ready," Hand heard her say to him.

### Stay Near Me

"So am I," said Alphonse. "Let us go, my dear. Stay close to me and do everything exactly as I do it."

So Alphonse, the Goldfish, swam up toward the top of the water with Suzanne, the Goldfish, right behind him. Then when he reached almost to the top, Alphonse stopped. He was about to give a flip with his tail.

"My goodness," said Hand to herself. "They're going to go jumping out into the air!"

"My dear," said Alphonse at that moment to Suzanne, "something tells me that we shouldn't go outside."

"No?" Suzanne said. "Why not, Alphonse?"

"Because—well, I don't know why exactly. But perhaps it's because there isn't any water outside. How can we swim if there isn't any water? And how can we breathe if there isn't any water? And how can we go anywhere if we can't swim or breathe?"

So they both swam away from the top of the water and didn't go outside at all.

### Terrible Mistake

"Thank goodness!" Handid said. "They didn't went. What

### Rupert and the Thinking Cap—37



When the others have gone across the country towards Gregory's cottage, "There isn't a sign of him," he mutters. "I wonder if he has gone ahead of us? If not, he's going to be terribly late. At that moment, a loud

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a mistake, they would have made! What a terrible mistake! Handid was so glad that the two Goldfish decided not to jump out of the water of the aquarium. She tapped on the glass and shouted: "Good, woke up and looked at Handid in astonishment, for they could not understand why she should and Mary Jane, the Rag Doll, be talking to two bubbly, under-water Goldfish."



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# THE BUSINESS OF BOXING-2

## Trevor Philpott Discusses The Profession From The Boxer's Point Of View

When the talk is of injustices in the boxing world it is usually over the boxer himself that the pity is spilled. He, after all, is the one who has to have that kind of physical courage we all, even if grudgingly, admire....The courage not only to be hit, but to hit back and to go on hitting. It is the boxer who risks his looks, his physique, even his brain. Frequently he finds himself past his prime and with nothing to show for the long round in the ring.

The phenomenon involves popular idols as well as unknown boxers. Joe Louis, that supreme champion, found himself with a tax debt of half a million pounds as his legacy from the fortune he earned by his strength and skill. Sugar Ray Robinson, at 37, still keeps fighting to pay the tax collector.

In Britain there are champions, recently retired, now working happily as lorry drivers, mates or meat porters, though once a fortune might have seemed within their reach. There are others who are not working at all.

On the other hand there are men like Jack Peterson, Freddie Mills, Jack Frost and Len Harvey who have obviously turned some of their boxing profits to good use. And both Al Griffiths, the Midlands promoter, and George Middleton, Randolph Turpin's manager, say that if they had young relatives who wanted to box professionally they would encourage them.

"Often boxing is blamed for something boxing has never done," I was told. "There's an ex-boxer who people sometimes mention to me saying, 'Look at him, in the gutter. Don't know his alphabet.' Well, that chap didn't know his alphabet when he was boxing, and boxing won't teach it to him. 'There's good money in it for anybody who stays sensible and keeps his head. It's not boxing which ruins most of them. It's flesh.'"

### Promised Land

There is a good deal of truth in this. Usually the boxer arrives so suddenly in the promised land, and he is not really so young when he gets there that he is overwhelmed. Ron Barton, lately British champion, who this time last year seemed to have the world at his feet, has within a few months about the way he spent £15,000 in three years: "A dozen Saville Row suits, silk shirts, swanky shoes.... A champion must dress."

One ex-boxer, still a young man, turned up at the end of an evening together and said, "Come in. There's nothing to eat in the 'rat' (house), but there might be a cup of tea. To think of the times that I've boxed from a Saturday night with £50 in my pockets, and by Sunday morning I've been in to the wife to nip her for half a nicker. I was too big to call myself a taxi. 'George,' I'd say to the barman, 'a couple of times a week for me will you?' And I'd toss him half a cow (10s.)."

This attitude towards their earnings is common among boxers. They tend to be jealous about the amount of their purse, and to resist any interference with it by their manager—even to put a percentage away for "the rainy day."

Trouble with the tax authorities is more or less usual. The tax people said I'd got to go on fighting, give my manager his 25 per cent and pay them the rest," another British ex-champion said. "Look, I told them, 'This is a hard game. You just can't do it' or nothing. You'd fall apart."

### A Great Deal

A great deal, obviously, depends on the manager. I'm now strong, a character, he knows how much he cares about the long-term future of his charge. A manager's contract can last seven years, which can be a boxer's lifetime. In Britain their share is 25 per cent of every purse over £10, and they are allowed to take 33-1/3 per cent for fights abroad.

"Some are worth it, some are not," said Joe Shepherd. "A good man should know just what his boy is worth at a particular venue. And he should know where to put a certain fight on, and say 'No, that's no good for Birmingham, Liverpool's the place for that.' You've got to remember that some of these boys can hardly read."

Properly to manage a boxer who may be temperamentally unstable, reluctant to train or half-hearted obviously is no easy. There are almost as many views about the way it should be done as there are boxing managers.

Saint Burns, manager of Peter Waterman, and Terry Downes, said, "I've only a few boxers under contract at present, but I have had up to twenty. I don't think it is at all undesirable if the manager is competent. Like a general, he has to have good judgement. If I can't go to watch a fight, my trainer goes.

And a number of boys training together use each other on. "In the early days I don't take anything. I invest in the boys, like a business. I have to make sure they get the right publicity; these days that is very important. Remember that for every one who succeeds five or six fail by the wayside."

George Middleton, who has eight local boys under contract, said: "You've got to have a busy stable. Lads like to be with a manager who can give them plenty of work. With Randy Turpin here we've always got plenty of dates. But tax is a problem. Two fights a year at £2,000 or thereabouts, and he might just as well stop fighting."

"Look, I tell him when he gives a 5s. tip, that's £10 you've given away. I've known Randy since he was three years old. I bought him his first pair of boxing shoes when he was seven. And he's still a kid at heart."

This personal interest in the fighter is obviously a good thing. Eric is intelligent, once a promoter, before that a manager, and now a member of the Southern Area Council said, "In the days of hungry fighters the manager used to instruct, train, be mother and father, even give a boxer a decent meal. I've sparred twenty rounds with one of my boys before he fought at Blackfriars. We lost the match on points."

"Managers and boxers were real teams then like Teddie Lewis and Jimmy Wilde. You didn't hear of a champion and his manager not being on speaking terms like you do nowadays."

Management and training must, of course, proceed side by side. And there's a grave shortage of good trainers. For few managers feel that they or their boxers can afford to pay for a trainer's exclusive services.

There are few men these days willing to work as full-time boxing trainers. The work is spasmodic and uncertain, and there are more secure jobs to be found with local authorities, youth clubs and factory sports clubs.

### Modern Boxers

Jack Solomons thinks that most modern boxers are too lazy to train properly, anyway. "I used to run a gym here, half-a-crown a day, ten shillings a week. It made no profit. But the boxers wouldn't use it. Even out of season a boy should go to the gym a couple of times a week. It's his workshop. You ring a manager for a substitute fighter at short notice and what do you get? 'My boy's not in condition.' And he probably means he's not in condition to train, far less to box."

"Boxers are making so much money in the fight game that the first thing you know is they're turning up at the gym in a motor car. And afterwards, when they should be taking a nice walk to cool off, they climb in the car and drive home. You can't get an English boy to act as a sparring partner. It's always 'How much shall I get?' Never 'How much shall I learn?'"

"I don't think coaching is all that important. The best boys have always been the 'naturals'.... I was like Kid Lewis, Kid Lewis. Eric Boon. They were natural fighters, nobody had to teach them."

Nat Siller, who was for many years a trainer, added, "How often do you see a lad bathing his face or picking his hands in a bowl of brine? Not likely. They're too concerned with their good looks."

The ideal manager, then, is one who can either train and instruct his boxer himself, or one who will pay for the best

trainer he can get. He plans each fight as one step on a staircase, developing his boxer's ring knowledge, confidence, and caution bout by bout.

Above all this though, he has regard during every contest for his man's future, not only during his short boxing years but for the half of his lifetime which must come afterwards. This is a great deal to ask. Some of the most successful boxers come from boxing families and are trained and managed by relatives. The best example now boxing is Willie Towell, the present British Empire Lightweight Champion, who has his two brothers as manager and trainer.

For Jack Peterson's climb to success he was made part of a limited company under the direction of his father. He fought only 38 professional fights, but each was planned with purpose. He was able to concentrate all his mental and physical energies on defeating his opponents, confident that his health and future were not in jeopardy.

### The Next One

"I didn't have to go to champagne parties after the fight," he told me. "I went home to bed and started thinking about the next one. Professional boxers should realize that boxing is part of growing up. When a man's boxing days are over, it's not the end of his life. Even at 30 he's still very young, and has a career to make."

Peterson retired in good time. His business affairs in order, his health first-class, his bank balance satisfactory. He is now a company representative in South Wales. Of his four sons, two have left public school, one is still there and the fourth is at a preparatory school.

Today it should be easier than in Peterson's day to make boxing a financial success. Pursues and good. The lowest fee for boxing eight three-minute rounds is in the region of £35. At the top of the bill it might be as high as £1,000.

Seller, now manager to Dai Dwyer, told me, "Give me a boy who can use his hands, a bit—only a bit—and he'll be able to retire at 24. As long as he's sensible and keen."

But very few sensible, intelligent young men seem to take up professional boxing in these days of full employment. It appeals more often to those men who see in the ring their one chance of being able to live, for a little while at least, like lords.

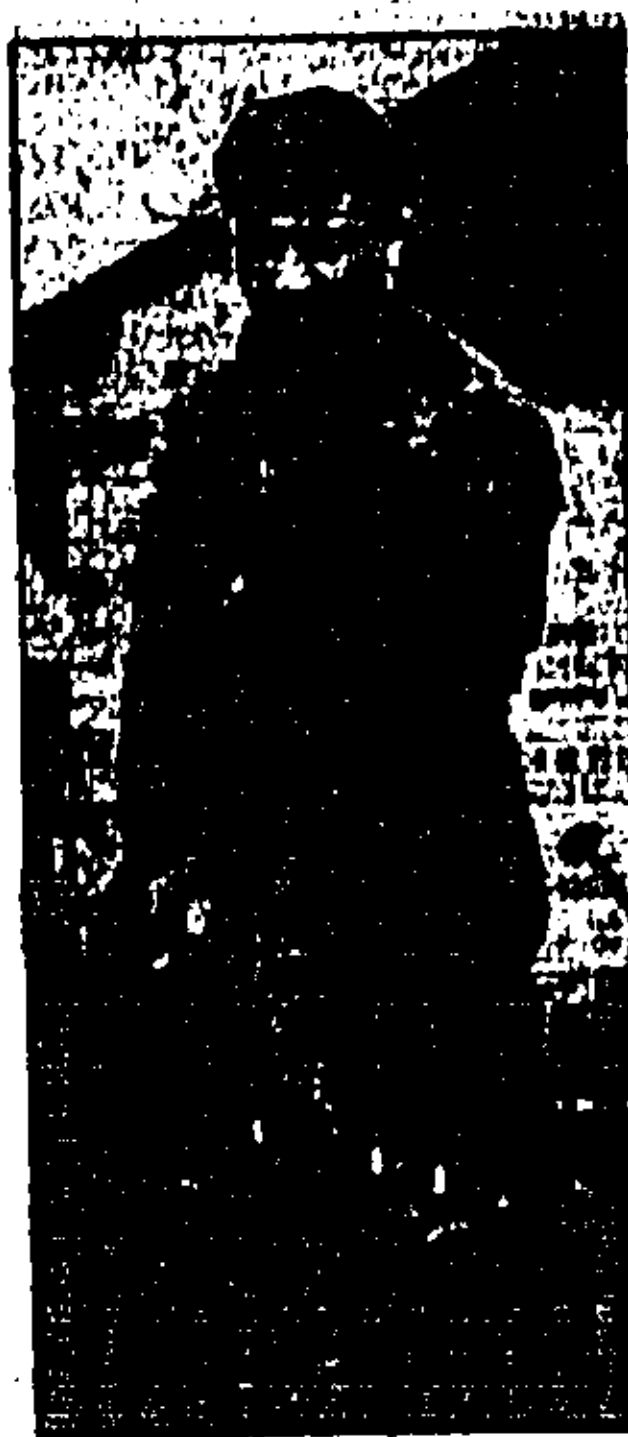
And it always proves most difficult to get boxers to take any interest in the administration of boxing. It proves almost impossible to fill the places to which boxers are entitled on each Area Council.

The Northern and Southern Areas each have only one boxer member at present. The Central Area, largest of all, with between 250 and 300 boxers licensed, can get only two to serve as members.

With more promoters anxious to stage tournaments now the tax has been removed, boxers are in shorter supply than ever. They can choose their manager, even choose their promoter. If they made a determined effort to organise themselves they could probably acquire a charter made on their own terms, to give them some degree of security.

But this is not likely to happen. "We formed a Professional Boxers' Association once," said Ralph Moss, the only boxer serving on the Southern Area Council. "But it fell through. We got plenty of members, but they never turned up at meetings. Not even the ones on the committee."

Next Article: Doctor's views on the medical effects of boxing, professional and amateur.



Randolph Turpin, still British light-heavyweight champion, helps to keep fit by working in the scrapyard of his manager, George Middleton.

## Dave Charnley Earns Possible Title Bout

London, Jan. 28. Dave Charnley, British Lightweight Boxing Champion, earned a possible world title fight in London this summer when he gained a ten-round points victory over Don Jordan, of Los Angeles, at Harringay Arena here tonight.

A storming last round finish by Charnley gained him what must have been a close decision.

Charnley cleverly paced his fight against the loose-jointed, deceptively relaxed looking Jordan, a Negro with Apache Indian blood, who is ranked seventh in the world list by the Americans.

The referee, Mr Eugene Henderson, of Scotland, had to stop the boxers on a number of occasions for illegal use of the head and mauling tactics.

There were no knock downs. —Reuter.

### TEST CRICKET

## AUSTRALIA NEED 104 RUNS TO AVOID AN INNINGS DEFEAT

Durban, Jan. 28.

The Third Test was delicately poised at the end of the fourth day's play here with Australia fighting for a draw and South Africa striving for victory. With one day left for play Australia who are one up in the series still needed 104 runs with nine second innings wickets in hand to avoid an innings defeat.

The marathon South African first innings ended just before lunch today after 45 hours five minutes for 384 runs which gave them a lead of 221 over Australia's 103. Careful batting yesterday and lack of runs in hand may have lost them the chance to drive home the advantage.

With time running out the South Africans still had five minutes to get to 104 to lead as possible and their last five wickets fell before lunch for 66 runs.

### Unerring Accuracy

Trevor Goddard and Clive Van Ryneveld, batting dutifully but the Australian bowling and fielding never wilted. Richie Benaud continued to bowl his leg breaks with unerring accuracy and finished with the well earned figures of five for 114.

Wicketkeeper Wally Grout who set a world record in the First Test with six victims in an innings again shone by taking four catches and making one stumping.

The necessity for cautious batting and the close

attacking fields set by Van Ryneveld to the Australians played their natural game. They were hemmed in by a ring of fielders when Tayfield operated but continued to bat confidently. Jim Burke particularly refused to be intimidated and drove powerfully to hit six fours in a half century and five in the innings of 84 not out in four hours five minutes. Neil Harvey 13 not out started as if Australia were in a position to win and South Africa seemed faced with a hard task to break through tomorrow.

### The Scoreboard

Australia 1st innings 103 (1. Craig 52, Adecock six for 43).

South Africa — 1st Innings (Overnight 318 for five)

J. McGlew, c Groot b Gaunt	105
R. Westcott, b Gaunt	10
R. Benaud, c Simpson b Gaunt	15
J. Burke, b Davidson	134
T. Goddard, lbw b Davidson	45
K. Farnston, c Groot b Gaunt	27
M. Kinnear, b Gaunt	32
C. Van Ryneveld not out	22
H. McLennan, c Groot b Benaud	11
R. Tayfield, st Groot b Benaud	0
P. Benaud, c Burke b Benaud	0
N. Adecock, c Groot b Benaud	18
Extras	8
Total	394

Wicket fell at: 1-0, 2-28, 3-259, 4-259, 5-313, 6-350, 7-371, 8-371, 9-383.

### BOWLING

	O	M	R	W
A. Davidson	34	8	62	2
Gaunt	27	2	67	1
Benaud	50	13	114	5
Kinnear	17	6	85	0

Australia — 2nd Innings

J. Burke not out	64
C. McDonald lbw b Tayfield	33
N. Harvey not out	18
Extras	7
Total (for one wicket)	117

Wicket fell at: 1-92.

### BOWLING

	O	M	R	W
Heine	7	1	23	0
Adecock	7	1	11	0
Goddard	19	9	31	0
Tayfield	24	12	27	1
Reneveld	8	0	19	0

—Reuter.

## Peter Waterman Wins European Welter Title

London, Jan. 28.

Peter Waterman, the British Champion, won the European Welterweight boxing title here tonight when he beat the holder, Emilio Marconi, of Italy.

The Dutch referee, Cornelius Knol, stopped the 15 round fight after 14 rounds because of the Italian's cut eye. A cut over the left eyebrow which Marconi had sustained in the 7th round, worsened as the fight progressed and the referee after a second examination stopped the contest.

There were many who would have been pleased if this disappointing bout had been stopped earlier.

There was more mauling and wrestling than there was boxing. It was a repetition of their unsatisfactory content in a second examination in a very close and controversial draw resulted.

### CAPACITY CROWD

The capacity crowd of 10,500 frequently gave the slow hand-clap and stamped their feet in disapproval as the men wrestled their way for most of the 14 rounds.

The rugged Italian, in particular, was warned for various infringements.

Waterman was extremely lucky in the 11th round when he was down twice. A left hook started a furious attack which had Waterman helpless on the ropes and finally had him down on one knee for a count of eight.

Marconi, trying to finish the fight, had Waterman down for another short count, but he was too tired to land the finishing blow.

Waterman finished the stronger of the two and was attacking in the closing rounds, but his punching lacked the power to worry the Italian. —Reuter.

## Wallabies Score Their 12th Win Of The Tour

Hampshire, Jan. 28.

In mud-bath conditions, the worst they have encountered so far, the Australian Rugby Union tourists, defeated the South Eastern Counties 6-0 at Portsmouth today to gain their 12th win of the tour. There was no score at half time.

The Wallabies were at full strength and always looked likely winners. Back luck robbed them of a score in the first half and over the interval they held command with all-out attacks which had the counties concentrating almost entirely on defence.

The first try came a minute after half time, when P. T. Forwick scored under the posts following a forward rush. A. Summons missed a simple conversion, J. Fells sent K. Donald over the right hand corner for the second try five minutes before the end, and this time J. Lenchman failed to convert.

This win indicated that the tourists are fast becoming accustomed to the brand of conditions they intensely dislike. —Reuter.

## Italy Well Placed To Win World Bridge Title

Como, Jan. 28.

Italy increased its lead over the United States in the World Bridge Championships during the afternoon session here today and at about half-way in their encounter is now leading by 107 points to 74.

The Italian took 16 match-points off the American team today and are well placed to win the world title, which is being contested by the United States (representing North America), Italy (representing Europe) and the Argentine (representing South America).

The Argentine team is to play two sessions later today against Italy and against the United States. —France-Press.



A very popular all-round sporting personality featured in this week's Sports Parade Spotlight, S/Sgt Arthur Clarke REME of 6 COD, the new Colony Individual Rifle Champion.

Although I had "tipped" him to win he had not been as successful during the week as I had expected and I must admit to doubts of whether he would once again fall at the post, as he had for the past two seasons when on each occasion he featured in the "runners-up" berth.

He rose to the occasion however and took the major honours finishing eight points ahead of his nearest rival with the rifle, and ever further ahead with a revolver even points separating him from No. 2. With the Governor's Shield and the China Emporium Cup for these two exploits, he also took in passing the Small Bore championship and the accompanying Essex Cup.

The Hon Secretary's Cup and the Tong Shui Kin Cup will also rest on his sideboard for the season, a very rewarding result for all the hard work and practice he has put in, congratulations Arthur.

He must also be an above average instructor for his wife recently took up the pastime and added glory to the family by winning a silver cup as the Champion Lady shooter and shot well enough to get into the coveted Governor's XX, a remarkable achievement.

Congratulations are also due to Major Carmel Chief angle Officer, for all the hard work he put in to make the hard work successful. Wins, and others like Major Clifford, Dessam, and Cava, played an important part in giving pleasure to both competitors and spectators alike, while those important people in the butts must not be forgotten and they did their job expertly and well under difficult weather conditions.

### A Slow Start

Major Gordon Newark, RAOC after a slow start was the outstanding player in both sides and in desperation made several efforts to burst through himself only to be foiled by a resolute defence and a well timed shot of late, was back to his normal game at left half. For the REME XI I could not really choose any outstanding player without mentioning a player who will at a team, were slightly superior in stick work and team play but suffered from the same defect as their opponents, in needing a goal scored, although newly promoted L/Cpl. Healey had several "near misses".

One Exception

The Combined Services Fencers of whom all were Army with one exception, were so out of tune on winning the Oswald Chan Trophy by a margin of 28 wins to 20 when they met the Civilians at the EYMCA last Sunday.

In the fall they did particularly well to only lose the series by 7 games to double score by Major Brown, the Sports Chairman, Captain Lench, CSM Kirby, and a lone win by Lieut. Kenny.

In the Epee which could be considered "our" weapons, the result was surprisingly close and gave a 9-7 result in favour of the Army. The match was a close one and evened CSM Norman won all four of his contests, F/Lt Draper RAF bagged three, while Secretary Capt Grace registered two wins. The Epee event was very close and the final fight between CSM Kirby and Major Brown, while Major Brown won, which was enough to win his day, but Capt Grace was a very close runner-up and losing two matches and the Services had a comparatively easy win.

By the time this appears in print the first stages of the Hongkong Army Individual Championships will have been concluded and this evening the Sports Camp commencing at 1800 hrs the semi-finals of the various weights will hold and some excellent boxing is assured as they battle for the right to appear at the next Friday evening and weekend next Friday commencing at 2030 hrs as one of the finalists.

This will be one of boxing's red letter days and I would certainly suggest that anyone with the slightest interest in boxing should make and join two matches and the Services had a comparatively easy win.

Two Replays

That insidious disease "draws" is creeping through Colony sport. This is being spread by 6 COD who in the semi-final of the Small Units Hockey knock-out competition took a match plus two replays going to extra time before the final of District Workshops, and in the final they inflicted Command Workshops and with the trophy and individual prizes all lined up, the contestants battled on to a goalless draw after extra time and will now replay at King's Park next Friday night at 1800 hrs.

The standard of play was well above that normally seen in this class of hockey and a COD with a near-perfect side put up a very good display with practically ten men as L. Irwin on the left wing returned after missing two games through injury only to have the injured man give way again and after the match.

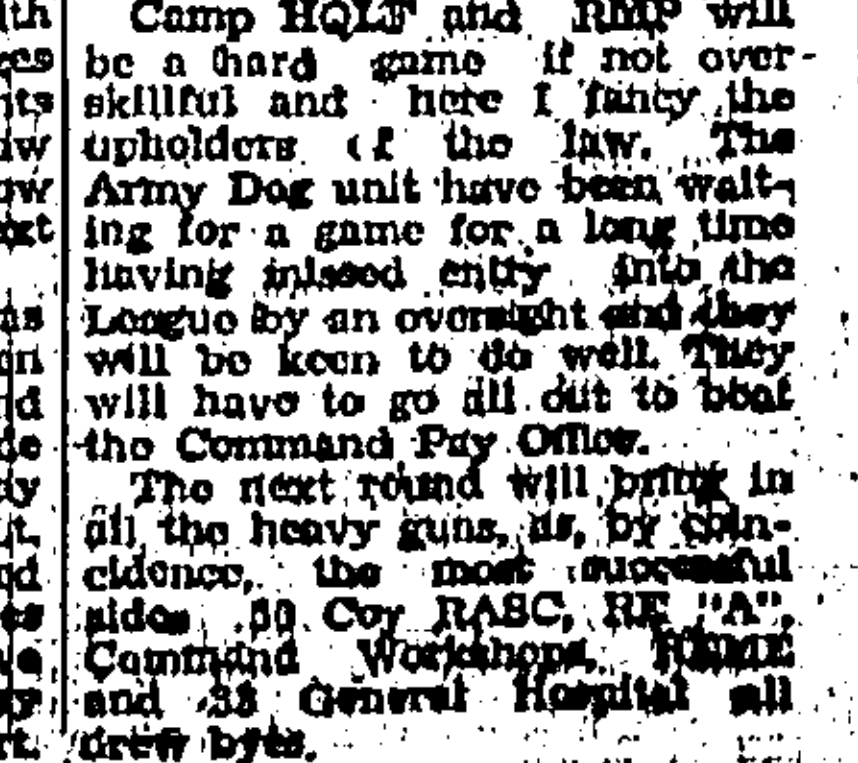
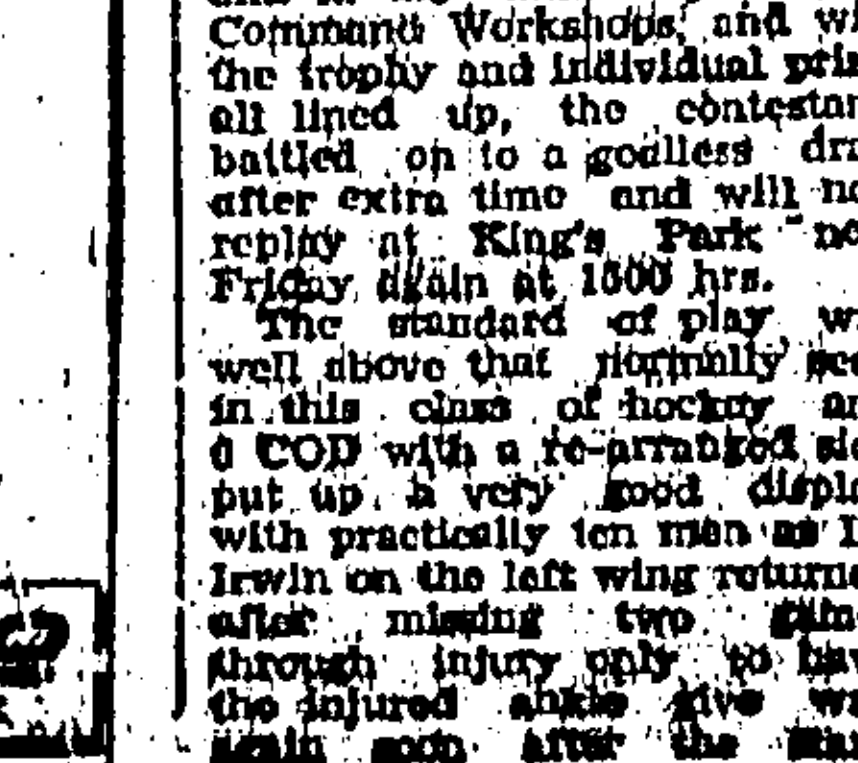
Of the eleven teams in the Minor Units five took a bye and of the three preliminary matches the one that catches the eye is 11 Inf Workshops, winners of the North league, and that same little wide 6 COD. It ends me sitting on the fence over the result although leaning a little in favour of the REME side.

Camp HQ's and RMP will be a hard game if not over-skillful and have I fancy the umpires (2) the law. The Army Doc unit have been waiting for a game for a long time having missed entry into the League by an oversight and they will be keen to go as well. They will have to go up to beat the Command & Coy Office.

The next round will bring in all the heavy guns, as by St. Andrew's, the most successful of all, 30 Coy RASC, 11th Air Command Workshops, 11th and 33 General Hospital all await the match.

## THE GAMBOLS

By Barry Appleby





## Latest List Of World Flyweight Challengers

New York, Jan. 25.—Japan's new Flyweight Boxing Champion, Sadatoshi Yuzuka, was rated eighth immediately behind his compatriot Masaji "Lefty" Iwamoto in the latest list of world flyweight challengers published by the Ring Magazine in New York on Wednesday.

Another Japanese flyweight, Hitoshi Misako, was dropped from the Ring placings of the first 10 challengers for the world crown held by Pascual Perez of the Argentine.

Japan's Shigeji Kanemoto was rated ninth in the Ring's list of challengers for the world featherweight crown, held by Nigeria's Hogan "Kid" Bassey.

Philippine boxers Leo Espinosa and Al Aquino filled the places of third and fourth challengers respectively in the bantamweights. The title is held by France's Alphonse Halimi.

Flash Florde of the Philippines was rated as third challenger to World Featherweight Champion Hogan "Kid" Bassey of Nigeria.

Another Filipino boxer, Donny Ursua, was rated fourth challenger to World Flyweight Champion Pascual Perez of the Argentine.—France-Press.

## British Isles Rugby Team For Australia

London, Jan. 25.—A British Isles Rugby Union team will tour Australia and New Zealand in 1953.

They will play six matches in Australia and 25 in New Zealand, including two internationals against Australia and four against New Zealand.

The team will leave London in May. Provisional date for the first game in Australia is May 27 with the tour ending in New Zealand in September.—China Mail Special.

## Sports Diary

**TODAY**  
Charity Soccer: Combined Chinese v. West of Cebu, 11:30 a.m.  
Combined Hongkong Schools v. Combined Kowloon Schools, 11:30 a.m.  
Meeting  
ASF & OC Council Meeting at SCMA Post Office Room, 2:30 p.m.  
Boxing  
Land Forces Individual Boxing, Transit Camp.

**TOMORROW**  
Final of ILC Chess Championship, Peninsula Hotel, 7 p.m.  
Boxing  
Land Forces Individual boxing (final), Green Elizabeth II Youth Centre, 8:30 p.m.

Tennis  
Sweden's Davis Cup player Ulf Schmidt to play at HKCC 4 p.m.

## Burnley Beaten In FA Cup 4th Round Replay

London, Jan. 25.—Bristol Rovers, a Second Division football team, today eliminated the Burnley First Division team from the FA Cup.

Bristol Rovers beat Burnley by 3-2 in a Fourth Round Cup replay, played at Burnley. Bristol Rovers will now meet Bristol City, another Second Division team, in a local "Derby" next month in the Fifth Round of the Cup.—France-Press.

## Sheffield Shield Cricket Match

Sydney, Jan. 25.—A fighting second wicket stand of 211 in 170 minutes by Neil Crompton (124) and John Shaw (122 not out) helped Victoria make a fine recovery today against the champions, New South Wales, on the third day of their Sheffield Shield match here.

Victoria, who followed on 414 runs behind when they were skittled out for 117 in reply to the New South Wales first innings total of 531 were 333 for five wickets in their second innings at today's close.

Crompton, 29-year-old left-hand opening batsman, drove powerfully in making a first class century. He batted three hours 21 minutes for his 124 which included 12 fours.—China Mail Special.

## NOT LIKE DAD

Bert Head has raised Swindon Town from re-election candidates to promotion prospects in his year as manager, but his 13-year-old son, Roger, is not so happy. He is at a Rugby-playing school and all the time pining for Soccer.

## SPORTING SAM

by Reg. Wootton



## Skin-Diving A Popular Sport In New Zealand

Auckland.

New Zealanders have taken enthusiastically to the comparatively new sport of skin-diving and thousands of men, and numbers of women too, now enjoy this thrilling, and often dangerous, pastime.

With thousands of miles of beaches and many small harbours, lakes and rivers, there is plenty of room for their activities in this green, sun-drenched South Pacific country.

The "frogmen" and women do not confine themselves to spear-fishing and underwater exploration. Members of the eleven clubs under the control of the New Zealand Underwater Re-

search and Spear-fishing Association are helping the Government Marine Department in all aspects of sea research, particularly in inquiries into the life cycle and habits of crayfish, exports of which, mostly to the United States, total about £1,000,000 a year.

Exploration of old shipwrecks round the rocky coasts attracts the experienced, adventurous skin-diver and relics of old-time tragedies have been brought up. But expectations of finding treasure have so far not been realised.

The zoologist at the Dominion Museum, Mr. J. Moreland, says that underwater fishing has given an impetus to the collection of previously unrecorded fish.

It is possible, he adds, that in about ten years the number of recorded species of fish in New Zealand waters will have increased by another 50 per cent.

### Faulty Equipment

Three fatal accidents to skin-divers in the past year have drawn attention to the dangers associated with the sport, but have done nothing to decrease its popularity. Two of the deaths were found to have been caused by faulty equipment. The third man became entangled in kelp and drowned.

The President of the New Zealand Underwater Association, Mr. E. H. Fryett, says that the

accidents are "bad luck" but they throw into relief the remarkable record of safety maintained by clubs considering the untold number of hours spent swimming in difficult and dangerous waters.

Lieutenant-Commander R.F.G. Elsworth, the Royal New Zealand Navy's Director of Underwater Warfare, considers that the sport is soundly organised here. Coroners conducting inquiries on skin-diving victims have given warnings about the risks and have advised sportsmen to get to know their gear thoroughly and not to go out alone.

The Royal New Zealand Navy, with an eye to using the best underwater spear-fishermen in time of war, is taking an official interest in the sport, even offering specialised instruction to civilians to bring them up to standard.

The sportsman will get the benefit of skilled naval divers' experience and knowledge, learn the Service's rules and why they are necessary. In this way the civilian's enjoyment (and safety) of his sport will be increased and the Navy will gain a large reserve of trained potential frogmen for active service if the need should arise. At least one underwater enthusiast has made his sport his work in New Zealand. Mr. Leslie Subritzky, holder of the Australian and New Zealand skin-diving record of 250 feet, has been a professional for some years now and has carried out some hazardous jobs.

### Most Dangerous

Perhaps his most dangerous task was clearing broken guide rails on the sluice gate of the Whakamaru hydro-electric dam in April. He had to work in 30 feet of chilly water rushing at about 12 knots.

At one stage of the difficult operation he lost his grip and was swept through the water race and half a mile down the Waitaki River. He was not injured and returned to continue the work and finish it successfully.

New Zealand skin-divers face the same hazards, such as compression dangers and strong and variable currents, as those in other countries, but they have to contend, in addition, with ferocious Moray eels and mako sharks. Sea weeds, too, are a major danger in some places and experienced divers give these a very wide berth.—China Mail Special.

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 Laos, 6 p.m.  
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 By Air  
 Indo-China, 9 a.m.  
 Formosa, Japan, Okinawa, Korea, 11 a.m.  
 Guam, Hawaii, U.S.A., 1 p.m.  
 Philippines, Australia, New Zealand, 3 p.m.  
 Thailand, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain & Europe, 6 p.m.  
 U.S.A., Canada, 6 p.m.  
 Hawaii, 6 a.m.

### H. KING WOOD REPORTS IN OUR AUSTRALIAN NEWSLETTER:

## Officials Worry Over Last Month's Unemployment Figures

Sydney (By Airmail).

**A little feeling of uneasiness is touching those in high places that out of works in Australia last month increased by 6,223 to 26,005—the greatest number of people receiving unemployment benefits since the recession of 1953.**

That we have 26,000 unemployed is not bad in itself, but what is causing concern is that the number should rise in December normally a good working month because of the Christmas rush—coupled with the fact that wool prices are on the down and that the State is experiencing its worst drought for many years.

Mix these together and you have the ingredients to make a rather unsavoury recession pie.

### CREATE WORK

State Labour Premiers have not been backward in demanding that the Government make funds available that will create work—an idea shared by a number of people, not only in the Government, but in the Associated Chambers of Manufacturers, Mr. R. W. C. Anderson (for long a powerful spokesman), said that while the unemployment figures were not alarming, and the economy was generally in good shape, the Government should take corrective action by injecting a little more spending money into the economy.

A new South Australian mining town, from which the inhabitants walked out 17 years ago, is springing into bustling life and soon could be one of the big industrial towns of the State.

The town is Iron Baron, 15 miles from Whyalla on the South Australian coast. The ghost town has sprung into activity again with the reopening of the iron ore quarry by the Broken Hill Proprietary.

Production of iron ore began last week with a new plant costing nearly £1,500,000. The village at present consists of 27 houses—nearly all new—for returning miners found the old homes of the ghost town rotten after 17 years of neglect and decay.

Iron Baron was developed in 1933 and open cut mines were worked for eight years. Then in 1941, with most manpower away at the war, production of iron ore ceased and the town died.

One brake on its future is that it is a completely waterless area. Water for company and domestic use is carried by rail from Whyalla and transferred to a 30,000-gallon receiving tank for reticulation.

**PRESLEY?**  
 An hotel on Queensland's rich "Gold Coast" (Coolangubra, Southport, etc.) was crowded one Sunday night when the local police dropped in to inspect the signatures in the travellers' book.

After thumbing a few pages he entered the noise-filled lounge and, in a voice like a well developed foghorn, in-

**Commonwealth Investment From 1953**  
 London, Jan. 28.  
 Britain, over the years 1953 to 1956, invested in the Commonwealth a total of nearly £200,000,000 a year, representing between seven and eight per cent of her gross fixed investment at home, it was disclosed today.

Mr. Alan Lennox-Boyd, the Colonial Secretary, asked members to remember, at a time of financial stringency, the massive contribution the United Kingdom had made to the economic development of the Commonwealth when he moved the Commonwealth Resources Development Bill in the House of Commons tonight.

### SECOND READING

The bill, which was given an unopposed second reading, increases the capital of the Commonwealth Development Corporation by £50,000,000 to £150,000,000.

It also defines the extent to which the Corporation might operate in colonial territories after they become independent and in independent Commonwealth countries generally—France-Press.

**★ Mr. Edgar Kaiser** has announced that a company "almost certainly" will be set up here to manufacture a full range of Willy's Jeeps. Mr. Kaiser is President of Kaiser Industries and Henry J. Kaiser Company. He already has a considerable financial stake in the country, for his company is actively engaged on work connected with the £100-million Snowy River Scheme.

**★ Then there is the Hunter Douglas International Corporation of America** which is planning a million dollar expansion of its Australian off-shoot.

**★ Vice-President of the Corporation, Mr. Steven Rich,** now on his 12th visit to this country, said that already £500,000 had been spent on the Australian Company. The company manufactures aluminium products.

**★ To these can be added a survey being made by the Ross Gear and Tool Company—a US firm making auto parts—is interested in establishing its own factory here.**

**A director of the company, Mr. J. McAlister, is giving the local car industry a close look, and admits that he is rather impressed with what he sees.**

Young, bustling Reg Ansett is certainly not daunted by the size of the fight he picks.

### IRRESISTIBLE

Already his Ansett Airline has swallowed the once-nightly A.N.A. North and South flying a £3,500,000 cheque to cover that deal, he immediately got into hells with Butler Air Transport (flying on airline State and inter-State routes) and he is making desperate bids to add that to his flying kingdom. He is now starting moves that could bring him into open conflict with powerful, Government-backed Gintas.

Ansett is reported to have made a practically irresistible offer to Mr. Bob Gibbs, boss of the New Guinea Gibbs-Sepik Airways Ltd. If the offer is successful, the door would be open for Mr. Ansett to run a parallel service into the Papua-New Guinea-Solomons area, which, at the moment, provides some very nice fruit on the Pacific airboard. As these are classed domestic services, not international—no Government authority would be needed for Mr. Ansett's air fleet to start winging its way to other lands.

Both Ansett-ANA and the Government-owned TAA are ready to spend some real folding money on new planes and both lines are wooing air travellers with stories of the latest in luxury planes.

TAA has announced that it will take delivery of two Super Viscounts about June this year. These will be added to the fleet of 11 Viscounts now operated by the line.

Ansett-ANA has broadcast that first of the four Lockheed turboprop planes will be put into operation between the capital cities before the end of 1958.

### IMPROVEMENT

These 66-seat luxury planes have a cruising speed of 400 mph and will cut flying time between Sydney and Melbourne from two hours five minutes to one hour 25 minutes.

In spite of the fact that the ordinary man sees little activity, it is evident that there is some improvement in the standard of NSW hotels.

Official figures disclose that 15 new hotels worth £1,350,000 were opened in the State last year and 18 more are being built. It is also announced that plans for three luxury hotels in Sydney have been approved.

Drought and fires are taking such a toll of livestock that repercussions must follow in the next few years. It is estimated

that bushfires have destroyed more than 50,000 sheep throughout Australia this year, while in southwestern Queensland graziers are daily shooting hundreds of drought-weakened sheep and cattle.

### GOLDEN BOMB

The "Case of the Golden Bomb" will soon be decided—and honest Colin Evans will know if he is richer by £17,023.

It is nearly 12 months ago—it was February 17, 1957—that Colin, clearing out his Whitepool "bomb" which had been carrying firewood—found in the upholstery of a seat two canvas bags literally bulging with banknotes.

"I thought," Colin handed them to the police, who got busy tracing previous owners.

Early next month a magistrate will decide to whom the money will go.

There will be at least two claimants.

One will be Colin. The other will be the Union Trustee Company, trustees of the estate of a dead Brisbane car dealer and his wife, Frank William Fowler.

There have been 10 owners of the "Golden Bomb" between the time it was sold by Fowler until it was bought by Evans, but all have told the police that they have no intention of claiming the money.

The Union Trustee Company sold the car when it wound up Fowler's estate.

Interested listeners at the hearing at the 11th outback Queensland town of Dalby will be black-bombarded by taxmen, because they will be busting to know who had enough money to put £17,000 into the upholstery of an old car and, no doubt, just as anxious to know where it came from.

### China Mail Entertainment Guide

## WHAT'S ON TONIGHT

**ROXY & BROADWAY:** "The Enemy Below." Robert Mitchum and Curt Jurgens in a World War II drama.  
**KING'S & PRINCESS:** "Pal Joey." Rita Hayworth, Frank Sinatra and Kim Novak in a musical drama.  
**LEE & ASTOR:** "Nagana." Barbara Laage and Renato Baldini.  
**QUEEN'S & ALHAMBRA:** "Paris Music Hall." French musical.  
**STAR & METROPOLE:** "Bop Girl Goes Calypso." All star musical.  
**HOOVER & LIBERTY:** "The Big Caper." Rory Calhoun in a gangster film.  
**RITZ:** "Town On Trial." John Mills, Charles Coburn in a suspense picture.  
**MAJESTIC:** "The Abominable Snowman Of The Himalayas."  
**ORIENTAL:** "Action Of The Tiger." Van Johnson, Martine Carol in an adventure.  
**CAPITOL:** "Highgate At Noon." Betta St. John and William Sylvester in a romance.

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